

Message

From: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/7/2018 2:34:48 AM
To: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Texas Water Day Remarks

Just FYI been working w Chris on these. He's great.

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Bennett, Tate" <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>
Date: February 6, 2018 at 9:26:32 PM EST
To: "Beach, Christopher" <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Cc: "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Texas Water Day Remarks

Also, he served on this commission so he's well qualified to run the corps:

"R.D. James has extensive experience working alongside the Army Corps of Engineers during his 36 years of service on the Mississippi River Commission"

On Feb 6, 2018, at 9:21 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

I was remiss to mention these guys care about Army Corps permitting reform. RD James was just confirmed by the Senate on Jan 25 as the Assistant Secretary of the Army (head of Army Corps).

Chris, do you have room on the card to remind him to bring up the fact that he looks forward to working with RD? JD is also a KY native like Pruitt. Bio below. Top line- JD is a former self-employed grain / cotton gin farmer who understands the importance of a timely permitting process.



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Honorable R. D. James
Member



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Mr. Rickey Dale "R.D." James, a self-employed farmer and manager of cotton gins and grain elevators for the A.C. Riley Company in Madrid, Missouri, was appointed to the Mississippi River Commission on Dec. 1, 1981. After his nine-year-term had expired, he was reappointed April 19, 1991. James was reappointed for a fourth year term on Jan. 3, 2017.

While employed with the Kentucky Department of Water Resources engineering office, he attended the University of Kentucky and graduated with a degree in civil engineering in 1971.

James received the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce 2007 Agri Business Award and was the New Madrid County Outstanding Conservation Farmer of 1987. He presently serves on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Southern Cotton Ginners Association, Memphis, Tennessee; Board Member, Cotton Producers of Missouri, Kennett, Missouri.

He is a past member of both the Board of Directors of the U.S. Sikeston, Missouri, and the New Madrid County Board of Education (served as the president from 1980-1998).

A native of Fulton County, Kentucky, he and his wife Jennye have three children, Albert Riley James, a 1995 graduate of Mississippi State University -- now in the family farming business and employed by A.C. Riley Cotton Company, and Virginia Elizabeth James (deceased).

On Feb 6, 2018, at 4:45 PM, Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Lincoln,

Tate helped me write up the speech cards for the Admin's Texas Water Day remarks tomorrow. The Admin met with the North Texas Municipal Water District back in August and heard about their struggle to get a reservoir finished (they started the permitting process all the way back in 2003). Some of their folks will be in the audience tomorrow so we put details on the situation and what's happening now in the speech notes. The whole situation is also emblematic of the Admin's goal to improve our water infrastructure and speed up the permitting processes. Let us know if you have any questions and we'd be glad to fill you in. Speech isn't until 11am tomorrow so I have time to make edits tonight or in the morning if you need.

Best,
Chris

<Texas Water Day 2-7-18.docx>

Message

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/28/2017 6:25:02 PM
To: McMurray, Forrest [mcmurray.forrest@epa.gov]
CC: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]; Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]; Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]
Subject: Daily Caller Briefing
Attachments: Daily Caller Talking Points 6-29-17.docx

Forrest –

Attached is the briefing/talking points for the daily caller interview tomorrow.

Thanks,
Lincoln

Lincoln Ferguson
Senior Advisor to the Administrator
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. EPA
(202) 564-1935

Thursday, June 29, 2017 – 4:45pm

On-Camera Taped Interview with Ginni Thomas, Daily Caller



Time: 4:45pm-5:15pm

Location: EPA headquarters, Administrator's Office

Reporter: Ginni Thomas

Outlet: Daily Caller News Foundation

Topics: Back to Basics, Paris Agreement, Overall goals

Contact: [[HYPERLINK "mailto:vthomas@libertyinc.co"](mailto:vthomas@libertyinc.co)], **Ex. 6** (cell)

Reporter bio

Ginni Thomas is an attorney and founder of Liberty Consulting. She is a columnist for The Daily Caller and has worked for the Heritage Foundation and is the wife of U.S. Supreme Court Assoc. Justice Clarence Thomas.

Anticipated Questions:

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From: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/19/2017 3:49:00 PM
To: Bowman, Liz [Bowman.Liz@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: public power
Attachments: Large Public Power Council 5-22-17.docx; ATT00001.htm

Use this as a starting point....he just needs the basic bullet points for either Old EPA vs. New EPA...OR Rule of Law/Process/Federalism...

And then add the talking points that Mandy sent.

I'm sending you talking points from the API speech as well. The EEI speech was way early on and the talking points are outdated.

Sent from my iPad

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From: "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Date: June 19, 2017 at 11:44:30 AM EDT
To: "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: public power

Large Public Power Council CEO
Meeting

Monday, 5/22 12:15pm
Washington Court Hotel

Length: 20 min. remarks, 10 min.
discussion

Audience: approx. 100 utility CEOs and
senior staff

Introduction: Dan Sullivan; *General*
Manager/CEO Grand River Dam Authority

Others attending:

**Cheryl LaFleur, Acting Federal Energy*
Regulatory Commission Chairman

Run of Show:

- 12:15pm – Dan Sullivan introduces
YOU
- 12:20 – YOU give remarks
- 12:40pm – Q&A
- 12:50pm – Depart

Media: Closed press.

Opening:

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From: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
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To: Hupp, Millan [hupp.millan@epa.gov]; Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
CC: Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Iowa Media Briefs
Attachments: 08.08.17 - KCCI's Brief.docx; ATT00001.htm; 08.08.17 - WHO's Dave Price Brief.docx; ATT00002.htm; 08.08.17 - Radio Iowa Brief.docx; ATT00003.htm; 08.08.17 - Lee Newspapers Brief.docx; ATT00004.htm; 08.08.17 - Des Moines Register Brief.docx; ATT00005.htm

Actually I think these are the final docs. Sorry for sending the drafts previously.

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From: "Bowman, Liz" <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
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Subject: FW: Iowa Media Briefs

From: Wilcox, Jahan
Sent: Thursday, August 3, 2017 3:30 PM
To: Dravis, Samantha <dravis.samantha@epa.gov>; Gunasekara, Mandy <Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov>; Greenwalt, Sarah <greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>
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Attached are the Iowa media briefs for next Tuesday. Please let me know if you have any edits to them by tomorrow at 9:00 AM.

Jahan Wilcox
EPA
Strategic Communications Advisor
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On-The-Record Interview with the Des Moines Register Kathie Obradovich & Donnelle Eller
Tuesday, August 8th at 7:30 AM – 7:45 AM CDT
Iowa State Capitol – Room 15
1007 E Grand Avenue; Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Location: Iowa State Capitol – Room 15

Reporter: Kathie Obradovich & Donnelle Eller

Outlet: The Des Moines Register

Topics: Visit to Iowa, EPA's Back to Basics Agenda, WOTUS

About the Des Moines Register:

The Des Moines Register is the largest newspaper in Iowa with a readership over 100,000 people. Kathie covers Iowa state government, politics and the Iowa caucuses. Donnelle covers farming, environment and energy issues for the Register.

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Recent Clips:

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The Des Moines Register

July 6, 2017

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If finalized, it would be only the second time in history that the total renewable fuel goal would be lowered.

"There was a big push within the petroleum industry to get President Trump to walk back his commitment to corn ethanol," said Monte Shaw, executive director of the Iowa Renewable Fuels Association.

At least "on the corn side, he did uphold" his promises, Shaw said.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Wednesday proposed a Renewable Fuel Standard that would:

Keep conventional ethanol, typically made from corn, at the statutory maximum of 15 billion gallons next year.

Drop the level of cellulosic biofuel, considered the next generation of ethanol, 73 million gallons to 238 million gallons in 2018.

Maintain the biomass-based diesel standard for 2019 at the 2018 levels of 2.1 billion gallons. This mandate covers biodiesel, often made from soybeans and vegetable and animal fats.

Congress adopted Renewable Fuel Standard in 2005 and expanded it in 2007, wanting a cleaner source of fuel that makes the nation less reliant on foreign oil production.

The program requires oil companies to blend increasing volumes of renewable fuels with gasoline and diesel, culminating with 36 billion gallons in 2022.

U.S. Rep. Dave Loebsack, a Democrat, said Trump "once again has turned his back on Iowa's farmers and rural communities" with his renewable fuels proposal.

"We must aggressively push for the EPA to expand the RFS and the use of biofuels, not slash it," he said. "Folks in Iowa know that the RFS is working."

The National Corn Growers Association said the rule proposal is "good for farmers who are facing tough economic times and good for consumers who want affordable fuel choices that give us a cleaner environment."

Corn and soybean prices are about 50 percent lower than they were in 2012, a year following a widespread drought.

Last year, Iowa led the nation in corn production; it ranked second for soybean production.

"The Renewable Fuel Standard has been a resounding success: cleaner air, greater energy independence, and stronger rural communities," said Texas farmer Wesley Spurlock, the association's president.

Tom Brooks, chairman of the Iowa Biodiesel Board, however, said the biomass-based diesel proposal "would set this important American manufacturing sector back at a time when we stand ready to take a large leap forward."

"Iowa, as the nation's top biodiesel-producing state, has expanded capacity in anticipation of better times ahead — but that is now looking bleaker," said Brooks, general manager of Western Dubuque Biodiesel in Farley.

U.S. Sen. Chuck Grassley, an Iowa Republican, called the proposal "a mixed bag."

"While I'm glad the EPA's proposal holds steady the requirement of 15 billion gallons for conventional ethanol, the lack of any increase for biodiesel is a missed opportunity," he said. "The proposal fails to recognize the ability of the domestic biodiesel industry to produce at much higher levels."

Jeff Broin, CEO of Poet, a large South Dakota ethanol producer, said the reduced cellulosic ethanol goal "will cool advances" in technology.

Poet is pushing to make cellulosic ethanol from corn cobs, husks and other biomass in Emmetsburg; DuPont is doing the same with a new plant in Nevada.

Quad County Corn Processors makes cellulosic ethanol from corn kernel fibers in Galva. Other U.S. plants use algae and other biomass.

"For the biofuels industry to grow, we need to see robust cellulosic ethanol production using multiple feedstocks from across the country, and the annual EPA volumes must keep our industry on that path," Broin said.

The cellulosic ethanol standards have been criticized as overoptimistic, given the next generation has been slow to develop until recent years.

Shaw, executive director of the Iowa Renewable Fuels Association, said "maintaining the 15 billion gallon conventional biofuels level "is good news for E15, motorists and farmers."

"Unfortunately, a change in administrations did not change the EPA's under-appreciation for the potential of U.S. biodiesel production," Shaw said. "Keeping biodiesel levels frozen at 2.1 billion falls short of U.S. industry capabilities, even before imports are considered."

Shaw, Reynolds and others said it will be important to push for higher biodiesel and cellulosic ethanol levels through public comments.

Renewable fuels advocates have been nervous about Trump's stand on ethanol and biodiesel with Scott Pruitt leading EPA. Pruitt aggressively opposed the Renewable Fuel Standard as the former Oklahoma attorney general.

On Wednesday, Pruitt said: "Increased fuel security is an important component of the path toward American energy dominance."

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The Des Moines Register

Kathie Obradovich

July 2, 2017

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President Donald Trump ditched Iowa twice.

The president bailed out of plans for a rally in Cedar Rapids on Thursday, citing only an unspecified scheduling change.

Come to find out, he was hosting a different party to which Iowa was pointedly not invited. Trump, with great fanfare, announced Thursday in a televised Rose Garden address that the United States would withdraw from the Paris climate accord. Iowa, which is positioned to be a national and perhaps international leader in clean energy, loses. Bigly.

Trump worked overtime Thursday to persuade Americans and the world that cutting carbon emissions equals a catastrophic loss of jobs.

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Iowa has created a new energy plan that combines recommendations for research and development of clean energy technology, increasing the use and production of renewable energy, developing and enhancing energy infrastructure such as the power grid, and increasing energy conservation. All of these ideas were couched as ways to reduce energy costs and create good-paying jobs while also protecting the environment.

But the president ignored the opportunities provided by green energy in his wildly exaggerated and inaccurate description of the economic threat posed by U.S. participation in the Paris accord. He claimed the accord would prevent the United States from building new coal-fired power plants while allowing China and India to build hundreds.

The fact is, however, that the United States and every other one of the 195 countries that signed on to the accord set its own, voluntary and non-binding standards. In fact, that's one of the gripes some

environmentalists had about the agreement — it wasn't stringent enough and lacked any means of enforcement besides peer pressure.

Considering we're talking about the future of the planet, however, the Paris accord is infinitely better than nothing. Just having the world at the table with a common goal of slowing the rise in the Earth's temperature was an historic first step. Trump, with his "America first" jingoism, has single-handedly set up the United States as a barrier to progress.

Trump made some vague remarks about trying to renegotiate the terms of the Paris accord. "And if we can, that's great. And if we can't, that's fine," he said. In other words, he doesn't give a hang and nothing is going to happen.

Trump could have redefined the United States' voluntary obligation any time he wanted and worked within the accord to pressure other countries to step up their participation. Instead, he's giving other countries an excuse to also walk away. Or, if the accord somehow holds together, it will be under China's leadership. Trump has handed America's toughest rival the inside track on the economic benefits of development and export of green energy technology.

Now, the renewable energy industry in Iowa and around the country will continue to march forward. But Trump's refusal to acknowledge the economic potential of green energy makes that increasingly an uphill slog. His eagerness to return to full-on, carbon-belching fossil fuels by rolling back environmental regulations may make it harder over time for wind and solar to compete. But hey, at least the coal miners will have jobs.

Luckily, Iowa has a few advantages that other states don't. If China is to dominate the global market for green energy, Iowa still may gain through its close relationship with the country. The ambassadorship of former Gov. Terry Branstad only enhances the opportunities.

The process for withdrawing from the Paris accord takes time, which gives Iowa another advantage. The Iowa caucuses allow voters here to make sure climate change is a significant part of the debate for the 2020 presidential election.

If all else fails, at least Iowa is in the center of the country. We won't be underwater when the oceans rise, but it should be a shorter trip to the beach.

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Outlet: KCCI (CBS Affiliate and most watched station by conservatives in Iowa)

Topics: Visit to Iowa, EPA's Back to Basics Agenda, WOTUS

About KCCI-TV:

KCCI is the most watched network by conservatives in the state of Iowa and this program will air on Sunday, following Face the Nation. Steve Karlin anchors KCCI 8 News at 5 p.m., 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. Cynthia Fodor is a two-time Emmy Award winning reporter and anchor for KCCI 8 News.

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1007 E Grand Avenue; Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Location: Iowa State Capitol – Room 15

Reporter: Erin Murphy

Outlet: Lee Newspapers own the newspapers in Davenport, Cedar Rapids, Mason City, Osage, Mucatine, Sioux City and Waterloo

Topics: Visit to Iowa, EPA's Back to Basics Agenda, WOTUS

About the Des Moines Register:

The Des Moines Register is the largest newspaper in Iowa, but Lee Newspaper has the largest reach across the state as they own papers in 7 cities in the state. Erin Murphy is a very fair reporter and he's also a fan of the Green Bay Packers.

Anticipated Questions:

Deliberative Process / Ex. 5

Topline Talking Point:

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Reporter: Kay Henderson

Outlet: Radio Iowa

Topics: Visit to Iowa, EPA's Back to Basics Agenda, WOTUS

About Radio Iowa:

Radio Iowa is the largest ag radio station in Iowa and Kay Henderson is viewed as the dean of the Iowa Press corps. She's a fair reporter who will use the audio to both write a print story and use on the radio station.

Anticipated Questions:

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Reporter: Dave Price

Outlet: WHO-TV (NBC Affiliate)

Topics: Visit to Iowa, EPA's Back to Basics Agenda, WOTUS

About WHO-TV & Dave Price:

Dave Price is WHO-TV's Political Director, host of the Sunday morning show "The Insiders" and anchors Channel 13 News on weekend evenings. It's difficult to find a local television reporter in the United States who has spent more time covering presidential candidates than Dave. Dave grew up in Belleville, Illinois and is a big fan of the St. Louis Cardinals.

Anticipated Questions:

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Sent: 8/7/2017 12:54:50 AM
To: Hupp, Millan [hupp.millan@epa.gov]; Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
CC: Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Iowa Media Briefs
Attachments: 08.08.17 - KCCI's Brief.docx; ATT00001.htm; 08.08.17 - WHO's Dave Price Brief.docx; ATT00002.htm; 08.08.17 - Radio Iowa Brief.docx; ATT00003.htm; 08.08.17 - Lee Newspapers Brief.docx; ATT00004.htm; 08.08.17 - Des Moines Register Brief.docx; ATT00005.htm

FYI for binder from OPA

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Bowman, Liz" <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Date: August 6, 2017 at 8:53:28 PM EDT
To: "Bennett, Tate" <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>
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Subject: FW: Iowa Media Briefs

From: Wilcox, Jahan
Sent: Thursday, August 3, 2017 3:30 PM
To: Dravis, Samantha <dravis.samantha@epa.gov>; Gunasekara, Mandy <Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov>; Greenwalt, Sarah <greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Abboud, Michael <abboud.michael@epa.gov>; Hewitt, James <hewitt.james@epa.gov>
Cc: Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov>; McMurray, Forrest <mcmurray.forrest@epa.gov>
Subject: Iowa Media Briefs

Attached are the Iowa media briefs for next Tuesday. Please let me know if you have any edits to them by tomorrow at 9:00 AM.

Jahan Wilcox
EPA
Strategic Communications Advisor
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Subject: DRAFT: North Dakota Briefs

Attached are the North Dakota briefs, along with the address and contact person. These are drafts and feel free to make any edits by tomorrow at 9:00 AM.

Wednesday, August 9th at 8:30 AM – 8:40 AM

On-The-Record Television Interview with WDAY's Kevin Wallevand (Airs On Evening News)
301 South 8th Street; Fargo, ND
Contact: Kevin Wallevand / 701-412-5643

Wednesday, August 9th at 9:03 AM – 9:28 AM CDT

On-The-Record Interview Radio Interview with Scott Hennen & Governor Burgum
3301 University Drive S – Fargo, North Dakota 58104
Contact: matt.revtai@flagfamily.com

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EPA

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To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Talking Points: Minnesota
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From: Bowman, Liz
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Subject: Talking Points: Minnesota

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WOTUS TOUR: MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA
WOTUS Tour: *Salt Lake City, Utah à Minneapolis, Minnesota à Little Rock, Arkansas*

WOTUS TOUR TOPLINE MESSAGES

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^[3] Minnesota Dept. of Agriculture via [[HYPERLINK "http://www.farmflavor.com/minnesota-agriculture/"](http://www.farmflavor.com/minnesota-agriculture/)]

^[4] Trout Unlimited via US Geological Survey [[HYPERLINK "http://www.tu.org/sites/default/files/minnesota_wotus.pdf"](http://www.tu.org/sites/default/files/minnesota_wotus.pdf)]

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Message

From: Morris, Madeline [morris.madeline@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/28/2017 8:42:15 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Subject: FYI: they sent a new briefing
Attachments: Panel Info v6.docx

Here is the new talking points for the Administrator tomorrow:

Scott Pruitt

- The importance of strong environmental protection
- How reasonable regulations can protect the environment without hindering growth
- The distinction between regulation and legislation

Madeline Morris Executive Scheduler | Office of the Administrator | direct: 202-564-0844 | cell:

Ex. 6

Panel 1: Energy Dominance Industry and Labor Perspectives (1:30-2:00pm)

Moderator: Dan Yergin

Topics:

Karen Harbert

- Tech/innovation in the energy sector
- Future of nuclear energy

Sean McGarvey

- What energy exports mean for his members
- Impact of approving pipeline projects
- Switch from government being an adversary to industry and labor to being a support

Ryan Lance

- Crude export ban
- Supply chain impacts of energy exports

Joe Craft

- The value of fuel diversity
- What can be done to support coal exports

Panel 2: Energy Dominance Industry and Labor Perspectives (2:05-2:35pm)

Moderator: Dan Yergin

Topics

Gary Cohn

- Macroeconomic implications of energy dominance

Rick Perry

- DOE's role in R&D
- Pipeline and LNG export terminal approvals
- Policies that supported Texas's development of shale

Ryan Zinke

- How to raise oil and gas production on federal lands back up after the declines during the Obama administration

Scott Pruitt

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Panel Tick-Tock

- 1:30pm Yergin takes stage to give opening remarks, introduces panel participants.
(Participants come out during opening remarks and take their seat on stage)
- 1:32pm Panel 1 begins with discussion questions from Yergin directed to panel participants.
- 2:00pm Panel 1 ends, Yergin makes closing remarks and moves onto second panel.
(Secretaries come up from front row while being introduced)
- 2:03pm Second panel begins.
- 2:35pm Second panel ends, Secretaries return to crowd, and stage set up for POTUS speech begins. *(Refreshments served in Lobby in-between setup)*

Biographies:
Panel Moderator

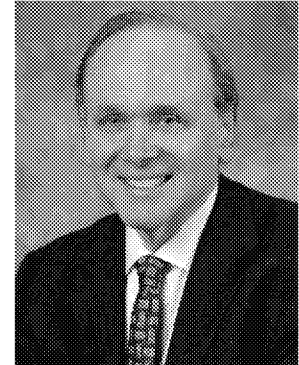
Dr. Daniel Yergin
Vice Chairman, IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates

Dr. Yergin is the Vice Chairman of IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates.

He founded the Cambridge Energy Research Associates in 1982, which was acquired by IHS in 2004.

Dr. Yergin serves on the US Secretary of Energy Advisory Board and chaired the US Department of Energy's Task Force on Strategic Energy Research and Development. He is a director of the Council on Foreign Relations, a trustee of the Brookings Institution, and a member of the National Petroleum Council.

Dr. Yergin attended Yale University and received his PhD from Trinity College at Cambridge University as a Marshall Scholar. He has authored seven books, including *The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money, and Power*, which won the Pulitzer Prize in 1992.



Panel 1: Energy Dominance Industry and Labor Perspectives

Karen Alderman Harbert
President and Chief Executive Officer
Institute for 21st Century Energy

Karen Harbert is the president and chief executive officer of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for 21st Century Energy.

Previously, Mrs. Harbert served as assistant secretary for policy and international affairs at the U.S. Department of Energy, deputy assistant administrator for Latin America and the Caribbean at the U.S. Agency for International Development, and vice chairman of the International Energy Agency.



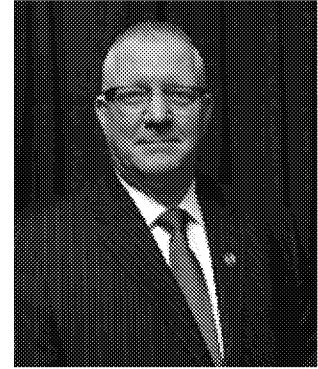
Mrs. Harbert is an appointed member of the National Petroleum Council.

Mrs. Harbert received a degree in international policy studies and political science from Rice University in Houston, Texas. She currently resides in Washington, D.C., with her husband and two children.

Sean McGarvey
President
North America's Building Trade Unions (NABTU)

Sean McGarvey is the President of North America's Building Trade Unions.

In 2005, Mr. McGarvey became secretary-treasurer of the NABTU. Previously, he worked for the International Union of Painters and Allied Trades (IUPAT), which he joined in 1981 in Philadelphia, PA.



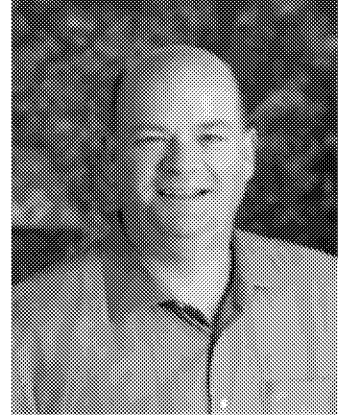
Mr. McGarvey also serves on several other union construction industry labor-management committees.

Mr. McGarvey holds his bachelor's degree from National Labor College and is a graduate of the Harvard University Trade Union Program. He is married to Shari and has two daughters; the family resides in Maryland.

Ryan Lance
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer
ConocoPhillips

Ryan M. Lance has served as chairman and chief executive officer of ConocoPhillips since 2012.

Before becoming CEO, Mr. Lance served as the Vice President Lower 48 for ConocoPhillips. He worked for Phillips before its merger with Conoco and served as Vice President of the Western North Slope for ARCO Alaska.



Mr. Lance served as the 2016-2017 chairman of the American Petroleum Institute. He also serves on the board of Spindletop International, the Montana Tech Foundation, and the advisory council of the University of Texas Energy Institute.

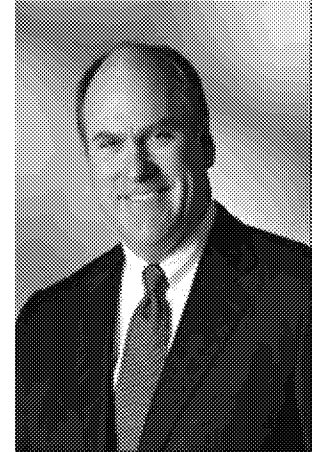
Mr. Lance received his bachelor's degree from Montana Tech in 1984.

Joe Craft
President and Chief Executive Officer
Alliance Resource Partners

Joseph W. Craft III has been President and Chief Executive Officer of Alliance Resource Partners since August 1999.

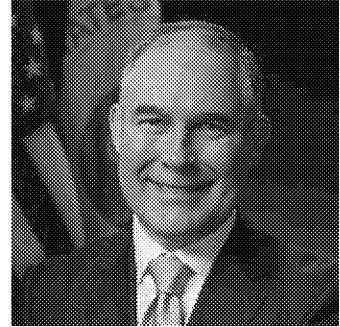
Previously, Mr. Craft guided the company's transition to its current form from MAPCO Coal. He served as the President of MAPCO from 1987 and joined the company as an assistant general counsel in 1980.

Mr. Craft is a dedicated alumni of the University of Kentucky and helped build the school's basketball practice facility that carries his name. He currently resides in Tulsa, Oklahoma and has 4 children.



Panel 2: Energy Dominance Industry and Labor Perspectives

Scott Pruitt
Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency



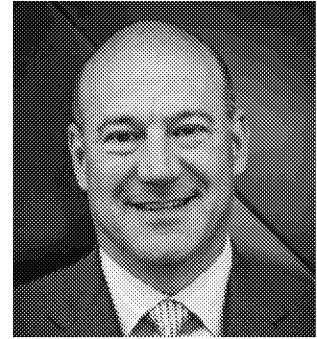
Scott Pruitt is the current Administrator of the Environmental Protection agency.

In 2010, Mr. Pruitt became the Attorney General of Oklahoma. He also represented Tulsa and Wagner Counties in the Oklahoma State Senate from 1998-2006 and entered into private practice in Tulsa after law school.

In 2004, he became the general managing partner for Oklahoma City's Triple-A baseball team, the Oklahoma Red Hawks.

Mr. Pruitt was born in Danville, Kentucky, but soon moved to Lexington as a boy. He played baseball at the University of Kentucky and later transferred to Georgetown College. He later earned his JD from the University of Tulsa. Mr. Pruitt has two children with his wife Marlyn.

Gary Cohn
Director
National Economic Council



Gary Cohn is the current Director of the National Economic Council.

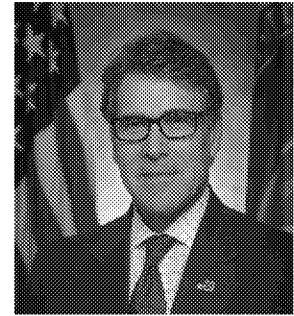
Before joining the administration, Mr. Cohn was the President and co-Chief Operating Officer of Goldman Sachs, which he joined in 1990. Previously, he worked as an options trader in the New York Mercantile Exchange. He started his career with U.S. Steel in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Cohn received his bachelor's degree from American University. He has three daughters with his wife Lisa.

Rick Perry
Secretary of Energy

Rick Perry is the current Secretary of Energy.

Mr. Perry previously served as the 47th Governor of Texas from 2000 to 2015. In 1998, he was elected Lieutenant Governor of Texas and became governor after then-governor George W. Bush became President. Previously, Mr. Perry was the Agricultural Commissioner of the State and a Texas House of Representative member. He served in the U.S. Air Force as a Captain from 1972 to 1977.



Mr. Perry received his bachelor's degree from Texas A&M University. He has two children with his wife Anita.

Ryan Zinke
Secretary of the Interior

Ryan Zinke is the current Secretary of the Interior.

Before joining the administration, Mr. Zinke served as a House of Representatives member from Montana from 2015 to 2017 and a state Senator from 2009 to 2011. Previously, he served in the U.S. Navy as a Navy SEAL from 1985-2008, retiring at the rank of Commander.



Mr. Zinke was born in Bozeman, Montana, and raised in Whitefish, Montana.

Mr. Zinke played football for the University of Oregon, earned his MBA from the National University, and his MS from the University of San Diego. He has three children with his wife Lolita.

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We need to update these talking points and discuss how the information we are feeding the Administrator is the most up to date (ie including job numbers from Friday, etc.)

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On-The-Record Interview with Reuters' Valerie Volcovici
Monday, July 7, 2017 at 4:00 PM – 4:30 PM

Location: Administrator Pruitt's Office

Reporter: Valerie Volcovici

Outlet: Reuters

Topics: Clean Power Plan, WOTUS, RFS, Paris & Back to Basics Agenda

About Reuters & Valerie Volcovici

Valerie Volcovici is the beat reporter at Reuters who covers the EPA, along with Interior and Energy. Recently, Secretary Zinke talked her about his agenda and that story is included in this packet, along with topline talking points, our RFS press release. There will also be a photographer who will come at the end of the meeting so they have updated pictures.

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Interior head says public lands can make U.S. a 'dominant' oil power

Reuters

Valerie Volcovici

June 19, 2017

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Boosting drilling and mining on America's protected federal lands can help the United States become not just independent, but "dominant" as a global energy force, according to Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke, whose agency manages about one-fifth of U.S. territory.

In an interview with Reuters, Zinke outlined his approach to development and conservation in America's wildest spaces, and discussed how that philosophy was guiding his review of which national monuments created by past presidents should be rescinded or resized to make way for more business.

"There is a social cost of not having jobs," the former Montana Congressman and Navy Seal said in the interview on Friday. "Energy dominance gives us the ability to supply our allies with energy, as well as to leverage our aggressors, or in some cases our enemies, like Iran," he said.

Former President Barack Obama, who oversaw a huge increase in domestic energy production during his tenure while strengthening environmental protections, had advocated reducing U.S. dependence on foreign oil.

Obama had also adopted a policy to factor in a "social cost of carbon" emissions from burning fossil fuels - which scientists believe drive global climate change - in making decisions about regulation and land protection.

While total U.S. oil production has risen to near records in the past decade, the share produced on federal land has dropped to a fifth in 2015 from more than a third in 2010, according to federal data from the Department of the Interior.

The administration of President Donald Trump is seeking to sweep away many Obama-era environmental and climate initiatives to bolster the U.S. oil, gas, and coal industries.

MONUMENT REVIEW

Zinke is in the midst of reviewing some 27 national monuments created since the 1990s and covering millions of acres of land mostly in Western states, as part of a plan by the Trump administration to expand development of public land.

Zinke was in New England touring the region's monuments as part of the review.

At least six of those monuments are believed to hold oil, gas, and coal potential. [L8N1J65EW]

Zinke issued his first major recommendation to President Trump on one of the monuments last week, a reduction in the size of the 1.35 million acre Bears Ears National Monument in Utah created by Obama in his last days in office. [L1N1J917V]

Zinke told Reuters he is likely to take a similar approach to the other monuments, including the 4,913 square mile Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument off the coast of Massachusetts – which is roughly three times the size of Montana's Glacier National Park.

It was created by Obama last September to protect whales and newly discovered coral formations.

During meetings with New England-based marine scientists, commercial fishermen and National Parks Service employees last week, Zinke argued that the Interior Department now makes around \$15.5 billion per year less in revenue from offshore drilling than it did in 2008 due to Obama-era restrictions.

Last month Zinke signed an executive order to lift some of those restrictions. He told Reuters he wants increased revenue from offshore to be used to finance a backlog of repairs throughout America's national parks.

He was also in New England to gather input on the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument in Maine. He will later tour more monuments in Western states, and offer recommendations on all the monuments to Trump in August.

ECONOMY BEFORE ENVIRONMENT

On the last day of his New England monument tour in Boston, dressed in jeans and a belt with a cowboy style Montana buckle, Zinke met with officials and scientists from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and New England Aquarium, followed by a roundtable discussion with commercial fishermen.

Zinke argued the recent use of the Antiquities Act by presidents to create national monuments exceeded the intent of its creator President Theodore Roosevelt because they block development on too much land around the specific monument sites.

Marine scientists gave Zinke a virtual tour of the Canyons monument at the New England Aquarium, and argued there was a need to preserve the area as a "reference point" to measure the impacts of climate change and overfishing.

Zinke later told Reuters he believed "there are legitimate scientific endeavors and research that are recognized and important (around the site), but there are also recognized livelihoods, fishing jobs that are also important."

During his tour, Zinke also fielded questions about the Trump administration's decision to withdraw from the Paris Climate Agreement, a global pact to fight climate change. Zinke defended the administration's decision, calling the agreement a bad deal for the United States.

Zinke later told Reuters while the U.S. government should find solutions to adapt to changing climate, jobs are a priority. "If you don't have an economy you can't afford to put in the environmental protections you need," he said.

EPA Proposes RFS Volumes Reflective of Market Realities for 2018

Starting Technical Analysis to Inform Future Reset Rules

EPA Press Release

July 7, 2017

WASHINGTON – (July 5, 2017) Today, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) signed a proposed rule setting the minimum amount of renewable fuels that must be supplied to the market in calendar year 2018 under the Renewable Fuel Standards (RFS) program. Today's action proposes volume requirements and associated percentage standards that maintain renewable fuel volumes at levels comparable to the 2017 standards, recognizing limits to the growth of cellulosic and advanced biofuels.

EPA is committed to successfully administering the RFS consistent with the direction entrusted to the Agency by Congress and is on track to meet the November 30th statutory deadline to make today's proposed Renewable Volume Obligations (RVOs) final. The proposed volumes are based on requirements under the law and an analysis of current market dynamics, including energy demand, biofuel production, and market constraints. The proposed standards will help stabilize the renewable fuels program and provide certainty for stakeholders.

"Increased fuel security is an important component of the path toward American energy dominance," said EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. "We are proposing new volumes consistent with market realities focused on actual production and consumer demand while being cognizant of the challenges that exist in bringing advanced biofuels into the marketplace. Timely implementation provides certainty to American refiners, the agriculture community and broader fuels industry, all of which play an important role in the RFS program."

Some key elements of today's action:

Non-advanced or "conventional" renewable fuel volumes are maintained at the 15-billion gallon target set by Congress.

The biomass-based diesel standard for 2019 would be maintained at the 2018 levels of 2.1 billion gallons.

EPA is beginning technical analysis that will inform a future rule to reset the statutory volumes for cellulosic, advanced, and total biofuels. The law requires this reset when certain conditions are met.

EPA is also taking comment on addressing concerns that some RFS obligations are increasingly met with imported fuel from Brazil, Argentina and Indonesia. Additionally, the Agency is assessing higher levels of ethanol-free gasoline and bolstering an existing memorandum of understanding with the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC) to analyze and address a host of market concerns, including the need for increased transparency.

“The Clean Air Act requires EPA to reset volume targets when certain conditions are met. We expect those conditions to be met in the near future, so we are conducting technical analysis now, to inform future reset rules,” said Administrator Pruitt.

Proposed and Final Renewable Fuel Volume Requirements for 2014-2019

	2017	Proposed 2018	Proposed 2019
Cellulosic biofuel (million gallons):	311	238	n/a
Biomass-based diesel (billion gallons):	2.0	2.1*	2.1
Advanced biofuel (billion gallons):	4.28	4.24	n/a
Renewable fuel (billion gallons):	19.28	19.24	n/a

*Biomass-based diesel standard is final for 2018.

For more information on today’s announcement, go to: <https://www.epa.gov/renewable-fuel-standard-program/2017-announcements-renewable-fuel-standard>

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PRESS BRIEFING
BY PRESS SECRETARY SEAN SPICER
AND ADMINISTRATOR OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY,
SCOTT PRUITT

James S. Brady Press Briefing Room

1:41 P.M. EDT

MR. SPICER: Good afternoon, everyone. EPA Administrator Pruitt is here today to deliver a brief statement on the President's announcement yesterday and answer any questions you have regarding the Paris Climate Accord and the decision the President reached yesterday. As always, I ask that you keep your questions for Administrator Pruitt on topic. Once he's finished I'll be back up here to answer some questions of the day. I would note that he has a flight to head to, so we're going to try to keep this relatively short on his end.

With that, Administrator Pruitt.

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Thanks, Sean.

It's good to be with you this afternoon. And I want to first begin by saying that the President made a very courageous decision yesterday on behalf of America. He put America's interest first with respect to environmental agreements and international discussions. I really

appreciate his fortitude. I really appreciate his leadership in this matter.

The discussion over the last several weeks has been one of a thoughtful deliberation. He heard many voices, voices across a wide spectrum of vantage points. And the President made a very informed and, I think, thoughtful and important decision for the country's benefit.

What we have to remember when it comes to the environmental agreements and international agreements with respect to things like the Paris Agreement is we have nothing to be apologetic about as a country. We have reduced our CO2 footprint to levels of the early 1990s. And in fact, from 2000 to 2014, we reduced our carbon footprint by over 18 percent. And that's been largely accomplished through innovation and technology, not government mandate. So when we look at issues like this, we are leading with action and not words.

I also want to say that exiting Paris does not mean disengagement. In fact, the President said yesterday that Paris represents a bad deal for this country; it doesn't mean that we're not going to continue the discussion. To export our innovation, to export our technology to the rest of the world, to demonstrate how we do it better here is, I think, a very important message to send.

He indicated that he's going to either reenter Paris or engage in a discussion around a new deal with a commitment to putting America first. The President said, routinely, he's going to put the interest of American citizens at the head of this administration. That's in trade policy; that's in national security; that's in border security; that's in right-sizing Washington, D.C. And he did that with respect to his decision yesterday on Paris.

So, with that, I'd be glad to answer any questions you might have. And I don't know your names, so you'll have to give me that. I'll just point to you, and we'll just go from there.

Yes, ma'am. Your name?

Q It's Mary Bruce with ABC.

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Hello, Mary.

Q Thank you. I have a two-part question. I was hoping you could clear this up once and for all. Yes or no, does the President believe that climate change is real as a threat to the United States?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: You know, what's interesting about all the discussions we had for the last several weeks have been focused on one singular issue -- is Paris good or not for this country? That's the discussions I've had with the President. So that's been my focus. The focus remained on whether Paris put us at a disadvantage, and in fact, it did. It put us at an economic disadvantage.

You may not know this, but Paris set targets of 26 to 28 percent. With the entire agenda of the previous administration, we still fell 40 percent short of those targets. It was a failed deal to begin with. And even if all of the targets were met by all nations across the globe, it only reduced the temperature by less than two-tenths of one degree.

So that is something that the President focused upon with respect to how it impacted us economically and whether they were good environmental objectives that were achieved as a result of Paris. His decision was, no, and that was the extent of our discussions.

Yes, ma'am.

Q On climate change, yes or no?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Yes, ma'am.

Q Two-tenths of one percent, a statistic that you're citing -- the MIT scientists who helped with that report say that Trump "badly misunderstood" the findings of that report, and that, in fact, if we take no action, temperatures can rise a devastating five percentage points. So, specifically, what other science did the President rely on.

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: There were other stories that were published at the time. The MIT study was something that, as you indicated, showed two-tenths of one degree. They didn't have a corner on the market as far as the studies at that time. There were many at that point. We can provide those to you.

What's clear about Paris, what's clear is that if you go back and look at the criticism that was being levied against the Paris Agreement, it wasn't just from folks in this country who wanted it to be ratified, or were critical of processes, the environmental left was very critical of Paris. In fact, James -- what was -- James Hansen is an individual who said at the time it was a fake and a fraud. And the general counsel of the Sierra Club said the samething. So if you go back and read the media accounts, there was much criticism, largely because it did not hold nations like China and India accountable.

As you know, China did not have to take any steps of compliance until 2030. India had no obligations until \$2.5 trillion of aid were provided. And Russia, when they set their targets, they set 1990 as their baseline, which allowed them to continue emitting more CO2. In this country, we had to have a 26 percent to 28 percent reduction in greenhouse gases, which represented the Clean Power Plan and the entire Climate Action agenda of the past administration.

Yes, sir.

Q I'd like to go back to the first question that was asked that you didn't answer. Does the President believe today that climate change is a hoax? That's something, of course, he said in the campaign. When the pool was up in the Oval Office with him a couple days ago, he refused to answer. So I'm wondering if you can speak for him.

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: I did answer the question because I said the discussions that the President and I have had over the last several weeks have been focused on one key issue -- is Paris good or bad for the country. The President and I focused our attentions there. He determined that it was bad for this country. It hurt us economically' it didn't achieve good environmental outcomes. And he made the decision to reject the Paris deal.

Yes, right there. Yes, sir.

Q Thank you. Given the fact that you and other administration officials haven't been able to outline the President's views on climate change, why should other countries believe that the President wants to negotiate a new deal in good faith?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: As I indicated in my comments yesterday and the President emphasized in his speech, this administration and the country as a whole, we have taken significant steps to reduce our CO2 footprint to levels of the pre-1990s. What you won't hear -- how did we achieve that? Largely because of technology -- hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling -- that has allowed a conversion to natural gas in the generation of electricity. You won't hear that from the environmental left.

And so we need to export clean coal technology. We need to export the technology in natural gas to those around the globe -- India and China -- and help them learn from us on what we've done to achieve good outcomes. We've led with action, not words.

Paris truly -- Paris at its core was a bunch of words committed to very, very minimal environmental benefits and cost this country a substantial amount of money and put us at an economic disadvantage.

Yes, sir. Yes, sir.

Q Does the President believe that -- or does the administration believe that any additional deal on carbon emissions, whether it's Paris or a subsequent deal, needs --

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: I'm sorry. I missed the first part of your question. Can you --

Q Does the administration believe that any deal -- whether it's a revised Paris Agreement or another carbon emissions deal -- needs congressional approval? Either as a treaty or some other form --

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Well, I think it's clear with respect to the Paris Agreement that there are concerns by the administration. The President expressed this constitutionally in his speech yesterday. I have similar concerns that it should have been submitted to the U.S. Senate for ratification.

I think it depends on the nature of the deal, what you actually negotiate. If we're talking about exporting innovation and technology to the rest of the globe, I would say not -- I would say that that's not something that should -- needs to be submitted to the U.S. Senate.

I would say, however, that if you're setting targets, if you're setting emission targets that are enforceable domestically through regulation or statute, then very much so. The voice of American citizens across the country needs to be heard through the ratification process.

Yes, sir. Yes, sir.

Q Obviously a lot of people from the White House are not willing to answer this question of what the President's view is on climate change. So let's talk about your personal views. In March, you said, there's tremendous disagreement about the degree of human impact, and you would not agree that it's a primary contributor to global warming. Would you agree that human activity contributes at all to global warming?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: I don't know if you guys caught my confirmation process or not, but -- it's a very intense process, by the way -- but that confirmation process -- I indicated that in fact, global warming is occurring; that human activity contributes to it in some manner.

Measuring with precision from my perspective, the degree of human contribution is very challenging. But it still begs the question what do we do about it? Does it pose an existential threat, as some say? People have called me a climate skeptic or a climate denier -- I don't even know what it means to deny the climate. I would say that there are climate exaggerators.

In fact, many of you -- I don't know if you saw this article or not, but "The Climate of Complete Certainty," by Bret Stephens, that was in The New York Times talked about -- and I'll just read a quote, because I think it a very important quote from this article -- "Anyone who has read the 2014 report of the IPCC knows that while modest, 0.8 degree Celsius warming of the Earth has occurred since 1880. Much else that passes as accepted fact is really a matter of probabilities. That's especially true of the sophisticated but fallible models and simulations by which scientists attempt to peer into the climate future. To say this isn't to deny science isn't to acknowledge it honestly."

And I think that -- look, the debate -- what the American people deserve is a debate objective -- transparent discussion about this issue. And what Paris represents is a international agreement that put

this country at a disadvantage with very little benefit environmentally across the globe.

Q If we just look at the --

Q Can I ask a follow-up question on that, sir? Why, then, is the Arctic ice shelf melting? Why are the sea levels rising? Why are the hottest temperatures in the last decade essentially the hottest temperatures that we've seen on record?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: We've actually been on hiatus since the late 1990s, as you know.

Q But, sir, so there's -- when NASA says that 95 percent of the experts in this area around the world believe that the Earth is warming, and you are up there throwing out information that says, well, maybe this is being exaggerated and so forth, and you're talking about climate exaggerators, it just seems to a lot of people around the world that you and the President are just denying the reality. And the reality of this situation is that climate change is happening and it is a significant threat to the planet.

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Let me say this, and I've said it in the confirmation process and I said it yesterday --

Q That's true, though, right? About the Arctic ice and the sea levels and --

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: We have done a tremendous amount as a country to achieve reductions in CO2. And we have done that through technology and innovation. We will continue to do that. We will continue to stay engaged.

We are part, as you know, of the UNFCCC, and that process encourages voices by some national groups and by countries across the globe. And we are going to stay engaged and try to work through agreements and achieve outcomes that put America's interest first.

This is not -- this is not -- a message to anyone in the world that America is somewhat -- should be apologetic of its CO2 position. We are actually making tremendous advances. We're just not going to agree to frameworks and agreements that put us at an economic disadvantage and hurt citizens across this country.

Yes, sir.

Q Critics argue you're putting your head in the sand, though, Mr. Pruitt. They're a little worried that you're putting your head in the sand.

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: There is no evidence of that.

Yes, sir.

Q Thank you, Mr. Administrator. Your fellow Sooner Senator Inhofe said that while he has full confidence in the President in this, he is very nervous about lower-level career government employees in the EPA and the State Department in actually executing what it means to exit the Paris Climate Accord. As the Administrator of EPA, what do you say to your own staff?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: What's important to know is that the President said unequivocally yesterday that the targets set in Paris, the 26 to 28 percent targets, are not enforceable and are not going to be complied with. The Green Climate Fund where the United States committed \$3 billion of initial funding is not going to continue. That is unequivocally the case, and that's going to be immediate.

Now, there are discussions that are ongoing with the Justice Department on the steps that we'll be taking to execute the withdrawal on the exit. That's something that's going to be happening over the next several weeks. But as far as the targets are concerned, as far as the Green Climate Fund, that is immediate and it's something that's clear.

Yes, ma'am.

Q European leaders have made it very clear the deal can't be renegotiated. So how does the President renegotiate a deal when the other parties aren't willing to come to the table?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Well, as he indicated, whether it's part of the Paris framework or a new deal, he's -- it's either approach.

Q But a new deal with who, if they're not going to sit down at the table with him?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Well, that's up to them, right? What America -- the United States has a seat at the table. After all, we're the United States, and we are leading with respect to CO2 reduction. We have made tremendous progress. If nations around the globe want to see -- to learn from us on what we're doing to reduce our CO2 footprint, we're going to share that with them. And that's something that should occur and will occur in the future. And we will reach out and reciprocate with nations who seek to achieve that.

Q And just a quick follow-up. You're the EPA Administrator. Shouldn't you be able to tell the American people whether or not the President still believes that climate change is a hoax? Where does he stand?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: As I indicated several times through the process -- there's enough to deal with, with respect to the Paris Agreement and making an informed decision about this important

issue. That where our focus has been over the last several weeks. I've answered the question a couple times.

Yes, sir. Yes, sir, this gentleman right here.

Q Thank you. Isn't it of concern that the United States has broken a promise to 190 countries? And the President did not address that particular point. And second, you've several times raised the lowering of CO2 levels. Isn't the reason for lower CO2 levels because of blocking the smokestack spews that now are not allowed, the kind of regulations that the administration is now opposing?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: As I indicated, largely, we have reduced our CO2 footprint through innovation and technology, not the least of which is hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling.

And the first part of your question? I forget.

Q Isn't it of concern that we broke a promise to 190 countries? And how does that help our credibility?

ADMINISTRATOR PRUITT: Well, truly, this gentleman's question back here -- if it was a promise that was enforceable and was going to obligate this country, then it should have been ratified as a treaty, right? The exposure here to us domestically was 26 to 28 percent targets that were part of an international agreement, and there are provisions in the Clean Air Act that actually allow for lawsuits to be filed domestically to compel regulation to meet those kinds of percentages.

This was as much about constitutional and legal concerns as anything else. And the President dealt decisively with that. But let's -- again, the important thing here is it put us in an economic disadvantage. The world applauded -- the world applauded when we joined Paris.

And you know why? I think the applauded because they knew it was going to put this country at an economic disadvantage. And the reason European leaders -- going back to the question earlier -- that I think they want us to stay in is because they know it will continue to shackle our economy, though we are leading the world with respect to our CO2 reduction.

That's all I've got. I've got to head to the airport. Thank you very much.

Q Our word is not our bond?

Q Why did you celebrate at a French restaurant last night? Was that a symbolic gesture?

MR. SPICER: Thanks, Mr. Pruitt.

Early this morning, in the May jobs report, it was released showing that Americans seeking jobs are having more success finding them than at any point in the last 16 years. There's a lot of positive signs coming out of the job market. Over 600,000 private sector jobs have been added since the President took office. The key U6 unemployment rate, which gives a broader look at both unemployment and under-employment, fell a full percentage point since the President took office in January. Long-term unemployment is down by 187,000 since the President took office. And America's miners and drillers are getting back to work, with that sector showing job growth for the second -- the seventh straight month.

The President is not going to stop until every American who wants to work can find meaningful employment. That's why we're working tirelessly on policies that will keep the economy growing -- with a tax plan that will leave more money in the pockets of hardworking Americans and making it easier for businesses to thrive; an infrastructure initiative that will generate \$1 trillion of investment and put Americans back to work rebuilding our nation's crumbling roads and bridges; repealing and replacing the job-killing Obamacare with a system that encourages competition and drives prices down; and a systematic regulatory reform to reduce unnecessary burdens on manufacturing and other key industries, aiming for the most far-reaching rollback since the Reagan years.

You can expect the President to be focusing even more on jobs this month and holding events in Washington and outside, pushing his pro-growth, pro-jobs agenda.

Later this afternoon, the President is going to be signing two bills that were both passed with bipartisan support that help protect those who protect us, our nation's veterans and public safety officers.

First the Public Safety Officers' Benefits Improvement Act of 2017, which was co-sponsored by Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Chuck Grassley of Iowa and Senator Kirsten Gillibrand of New York. It was unanimously passed by the Senate last month. It will reduce the unacceptable backlog of families awaiting approval of survivor benefits in public safety officers that were killed in the line of duty.

The second is the American Law Enforcement Heroes Act, which was co-sponsored by Senator John Cornyn and Senator Amy Klobuchar, which also unanimously passed the Senate, and assists state and local law enforcement in adding veterans to their forces by prioritizing the Department of Justice funding to law enforcement agencies that is used to hire veterans. It's critical that we support our veterans and the loved ones of those who have paid the ultimate price while protecting our communities.

The President is glad to be signing these important bills today, and there will be a pool spray at the top of that shortly.

Also in Washington today, Education Secretary Betsy DeVos visited the Eagle Public Charter School this morning to show the administration's

support for inclusive school environments and celebrate the launch of the Department of Education's new Individuals with Disabilities Act.

At the State Department, Secretary Tillerson met this morning with the Foreign Minister of Brazil, and is departing for Sydney, Australia this afternoon, where he will join Defense Secretary Mattis to participate in the 2017 Australia-United States Ministerial Consultations. Prior to his arrival in Australia, Secretary Mattis will attend the Shangri-La Dialogue in Singapore, where he will deliver remarks and meet with regional allies and counterparts to discuss security issues.

With that, I'd be glad to take a few questions.

Kevin.

Q Thanks, Sean. I want to ask about the push for the travel ban to the U.S. Supreme Court. Is it fair to say that one of the reasons that the President wants to keep this going is obviously now we have a full Court impaneled, but also because it gives the White House perhaps a chance to build on some momentum, especially if you look back at yesterday? It would appear that his base was very pleased with what the President decided to do. Is that part of the calculus?

And I'd also like to ask as a follow about the XL pipeline. Can you give us an update on what's happening with that in terms jobs and development?

MR. SPICER: I think that what we've said with respect to the executive order in question has been fairly consistent since its implementation and the first court action. So last night, we asked the Supreme Court to hear this important case and are confident that the President's executive order is well within his lawful authority to keep the nation safe and protect our communities from terrorism.

The President is not required to admit people from countries that sponsor or shelter terrorism and until he determines that they are properly vetted and do not pose a threat or risk to the United States. That's pretty consistent with what we've talked about.

I don't have an update -- are you talking about in terms of production for Keystone? I don't have that at this time.

Zeke.

Q Thank you, Sean. You were asked earlier this week about the President's personal views on climate change and whether or not he believes it's a hoax. You said you hadn't had a chance to have that conversation with him. Now it's been 48-72 hours. What does the President actually believe about climate change? Does he still believe it's a hoax? Can you clarify that? Because apparently nobody else at the White House can.

MR. SPICER: I have not had an opportunity to have that discussion.

Blake.

Q Don't the American people deserve to know what the President believes on such an important issue?

MR. SPICER: I think that Administrator Pruitt pointed out that what the President is focused on is making sure that we have clean water, clean air, and making sure that we have the best deal for the American workers.

Blake.

Q Trey.

MR. SPICER: Trey. Sorry.

Q No worries. (Laughter.) Quick question for you related to the Paris climate agreement. Why does the President feel it's important to continue to reduce carbon emissions and export clean energy technology?

MR. SPICER: I think he understands the importance of clean air and clean water, as I just mentioned, and a healthy environment, but also doing so in a way that provides American workers and our economy a way to grow. But obviously, as Administrator Pruitt pointed out, we've got a lot of technology that we can export to other countries and help them.

Q Just a quick question as it relates to climate change. Very simple definition of climate change is a change in the Earth's weather patterns. The EPA Administrator said today that he does feel there is some value to the studies that say the Earth is warming somewhat. Does the President share the EPA Administrator's thoughts on this topic? And why has the administration sort of backed away from using the words "climate change"?

MR. SPICER: I don't -- I have not -- as I mentioned to Zeke, I have not had an opportunity to specifically talk to the President about that.

Eamon.

Q Thanks, Sean. Yesterday the President painted a pretty dire economic picture if the United States were to stay in the Paris Accords, saying it would be disastrous for the U.S. economy. And yet dozens of the top CEOs of American corporations lobbied the President in order to stay in the Paris Accords. Why would the President argue that this is bad for the economy if all those CEOs are saying, you know what, we need to do this? Is the President right about the economic forecasts and all those private sector leaders wrong?

MR. SPICER: I think the President took input from a lot of individuals and there were other sectors that were very concerned about the implementation of it. Frankly, I think there were some companies and

some organizations that are among those that you mentioned that, while they maybe wanted to stay in, also expressed concern about the target levels.

But at the end of the day, the President's number-one priority is to get the best deal for the American people. This is who they elected last year. This was -- I think one of the things that we've got to remember is that the President was very clear on the campaign trail about his position on this, but he was also clear that he was going to negotiate the best deal for the American people. And if you look at all of the deals that we have -- whether they're the trade deals or Paris -- the President has made it very clear that he's committed to getting the best deal for America, America's workers, America's manufacturers.

Q Is the President going to replace Elon Musk and Bob Iger on the President's advisory council?

MR. SPICER: I don't know at this point.

Jim.

Q Thank you, Sean. The President's critics are claiming that pulling out of the accord will lift China as a global leader. Do you agree with that sentiment? What does the White House have to say about that?

MR. SPICER: I don't think -- I think part of the reason that the President said it was a bad deal yesterday is because countries, including China, were not making substantial progress in reducing their carbon footprint. They weren't doing enough and America was carrying the load. So I think by negotiating a better deal, hopefully we can get a better result for our country and the world.

John.

Q Thank you, Sean. Yesterday, President Macron of France delivered a sharply worded speech in English attacking the President on the climate change decision, saying it is bad for all of our children. And he specifically called on scientists to come and move to France. What's the President's response to President Macron?

MR. SPICER: I think that the President has made it clear since day one that his job is to protect the interests of this country and our citizens. As he said yesterday, he was elected to represent Pittsburgh, not Paris.

Hunter.

Q Thank you, Sean. The Washington Post has reported that the administration is considering returning these properties in Maryland and New York to Russia. What is the reason for that? And what would the White House have to see before giving back those properties?

MR. SPICER: The State Department issued comments on that earlier saying, "The U.S. and Russia have reached no agreements. They're projecting negotiations further along than they are." So the State Department is the lead on that, and they've been very clear where we stand on that.

Charlie.

Q Has the President been following the Kathy Griffin meltdown? And does the family want a personal apology for the beheading photo?

MR. SPICER: Does what?

Q Does the family want a personal apology from Kathy Griffin after the beheading photo?

MR. SPICER: Yes, the President, the First Lady, and the Secret Service have all made it very clear their view on those thoughts.

Steve.

Q Sean, it's been a matter of curiosity in this town for a couple of days now -- is the White House going to evoke executive privilege to prevent James Comey from testifying before the Senate Intelligence Committee next week?

MR. SPICER: That committee hearing was just noticed, and I think obviously it's got to be reviewed.

Q So is that -- that's not a no?

MR. SPICER: I was just saying I don't -- literally, my understanding is the date for that hearing was just set. I have not spoken to counsel yet. I don't know what that -- what they're -- how they're going to respond.

Jen.

Q Two questions, Sean, one on the tax bill and one on the debt ceiling. In the Rose Garden yesterday, the President said something about our tax bill is moving along in Congress very well. We've heard something about a bill being drafted in House Ways and Means. Is that what he was talking about? Or what tax bill was he referring to?

MR. SPICER: I think, as you know, Secretary Mnuchin and Director Cohn were here a couple weeks ago laying out the broad principles of what they look to see in legislation. They've had several discussions, both in the House and the Senate, bipartisan and industry groups. And I think that the reception that the President's initiative has received in both

chambers is moving along very well with leadership and rank-and-file members.

Q And then on the debt ceiling, we've been getting some mixed messages from administration officials on whether you'd like to see a clean debt bill or whether you'd be -- can you explain what the President's feeling is on whether he'd like to see riders attached on a decrease in spending or whatever? What is his feeling?

MR. SPICER: I think both Secretary Mnuchin and Director Mulvaney have weighed in on this. This is something that we're going to work with Congress on. So we're not there yet; it's something that our team is going to continue to work with them on.

Jessica.

Q Thanks, Sean. Two questions. Number one, when we heard the Administrator talk about this decision on the Paris Climate Accord he said it's not a signal that the U.S. wants to disengage on climate policy. So what are the steps that the administration is taking to engage internationally on climate?

And secondly, as you well know, climate has been a key part of cooperation between the U.S. and China. Will you try to replace that very important sort of intersection of interest with something else? Will you continue to do some technological cooperation on clean energy, for example, with the Chinese? Do you have any thoughts on that?

MR. SPICER: Well, this is a decision that was just made yesterday afternoon, and I think the President is going to engage both with domestic stakeholders -- he mentioned in the speech yesterday he looks forward to talking to leaders in both parties about a way forward and reasonable ways in which we can engage in that. And then he'll obviously talk -- continue to talk to world leaders. But that's a process that has to evolve.

Q And on China?

MR. SPICER: What's that?

Q And on China? The relationship with China, the point of cooperation -- have you guys given some thought to how you'll manage? Because the model was, you manage tensions with China as the U.S. government by having areas of cooperation, and this was previously an area of cooperation. There's obviously other areas that the White House is working on now with China, but do you envision some other cooperation on the area of climate with the Chinese government?

MR. SPICER: Well, the relationship that President Trump has established with President Xi has been quite remarkable. He's talked about it very clearly. And it's a model in which they'll continue to build their relationship and talk about issues, whether it's this or North

Korea or other areas -- economic areas that they're going to work together on.

So I think that the great thing about this issue is that the relationship that the President has and continues to build with President Xi is one that will allow them to move forward.

Q Thank you, Sean. In a recent statement by Senator McCain, he said that Vladimir Putin is a greater threat to the United States -- security of the U.S. than ISIS. Has the President had any conversation with you about that comment?

MR. SPICER: No, he hasn't.

Q Sean, thank you. Secretary Mnuchin has said that he wants the debt ceiling raised before the August recess, that we're going to run out of money by then. This morning -- he wants it clean as well. This morning, Gary Cohn said that the administration was willing to do whatever with Congress to get it passed before August, and the Freedom Caucus has said they want spending cuts. So what does this look like? It doesn't sound as if the Treasury Secretary is going to get a clean bill. What is the administration willing to take as far as spending cuts to get the debt ceiling raised?

MR. SPICER: I think that was the nature of what Jen was asking, and I think that is a conversation that our team is going to have with congressional leaders and other stakeholders, Freedom Caucus and other members, about what it's going to take. I think there's bipartisan recognition that we need to get that done. And so Secretary Mnuchin, Director Cohn, Director Mulvaney and other members of the team will continue to work with congressional leaders to figure out what it takes to get it done.

April.

Q Sean, could you tell me, how is the President dealing with the fact that there are several mayors -- many mayors -- from a bipartisan group, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, who are against the President's withdrawal from the Paris Agreement? How does this President move forward with what he's saying about making coal great again and taking the -- walking away from the economics of clean energy, and then walking out of Paris, when you have mayors who are saying, we're going to continue with the Paris Agreement?

MR. SPICER: Well, if a mayor or a governor wants to enact a policy on a range of issues, they're accountable to their own voters and that's what they should do. We believe in states' rights, and so if a locality, a municipality or a state wants to enact a policy that their voters or their citizens believe in, then that's what they should do.

But I will say that -- with respect to elected officials, there was, I think, a large contingent of officials at every level of government that

were very pleased with the President's decision yesterday and applauded him for that.

Q -- bipartisan group of Republican and Democratic mayors who are very upset by this.

MR. SPICER: And we have some bipartisan support for it.

Q Okay. And last topic -- there are a number of reports on hate crimes. Nooses have been found at the museum -- the new museum the President toured, the African American History and Culture Museum. And also there was a very negative word, one of the worst that you could say, spray-painted on LeBron James's home. What is the President saying about this? Specifically, people are saying over the last 130-plus days people are feeling that there has been a divide that is perpetuated from this White House.

MR. SPICER: Well, I would respectfully disagree with the premise of that. I think we need to denounce hate in any form, in any act. And this President made it clear from election night to his inauguration that he wants to unite this country and move it forward.

Kaitlan.

Q Thank you. Did Secretary of State Rex Tillerson endorse withdrawing from the Paris Climate Agreement?

MR. SPICER: I'm not privy to the conversations that individuals had with the President.

Q We were told he wasn't at the announcement yesterday.

MR. SPICER: I don't know.

Q Can you clarify the nature of the conversations that Jared Kushner had with Russian officials and a banker in December? And what was the date of the meeting with the banker?

MR. SPICER: I cannot. And as I mentioned the other day, we're focused on the President's agenda, and going forward all questions on these matters will be referred to outside counsel, Marc Kasowitz.

Q But how can you not answer questions about it when the President himself tweets about it?

MR. SPICER: I just -- we're focused on his agenda, and all, going forward, all questions on this matter will be referred to outside counsel.

Jill.

Q Thanks. Firstly, noting that you're not responding to any of those questions -- if you guys are actually finding a new spokespeople or

people who will respond to this, that would be helpful. Two things. Do you have any update on the search for the FBI director?

MR. SPICER: As I mentioned yesterday -- I guess a couple days ago -- the President continues to -- has met with some candidates. When we have an update on that we'll let you know.

Q And you said you haven't talked to the President yet about whether he still believes if climate change is a hoax. Can you -- would it be possible for you to have that conversation with him and then report back to us at the next briefing?

MR. SPICER: If I can, I will.

Mary.

Q Even though Administrator Pruitt can't say where the President stands on climate change, does it mean that members of his administration helped the President make this decision to withdraw from the Paris Accord without knowing where the President stands, without knowing whether or not he thinks climate change is real?

MR. SPICER: My understanding is that individuals gave the President advice on the deal at hand, and he made a decision on what was best for the country and our people on the merits of the agreement.

Q Sean, we know that the President heard a lot of points of view on this on both sides of the issue, and there was an impression -- maybe a false impression -- that it was a difficult decision and that he was wavering. In the end, though, yesterday, he was emphatic about getting out of the agreement. In the end, was this an easy decision, or was it a close decision?

MR. SPICER: I honestly don't know. I mean, that's what -- the President is the ultimate decider, and when he comes to make a decision -- when he gets the information that is required he lets us know that has a decision and he announces it.

Q One other thing. There's a lot of talk about renegotiation. Why renegotiate? The United States has the authority to simply reduce the targets. Why not just do that?

MR. SPICER: Because the President believes that it is in our country's best interest to renegotiate the deal.

Q Sean, the President signed a waiver yesterday that delays a campaign promise to move the embassy to Jerusalem. I know you said that this was to not hinder any sort of peace deal. But how confident can his supporters be that this is a campaign promise that he's going to keep?

MR. SPICER: I think when the President signed the waiver under the Jerusalem Embassy Act and delayed moving the embassy in Israel from Tel

Aviv to Jerusalem, no one should consider this step in any way to be a retreat from the President's strong support for Israel and for the U.S.-Israeli relationship.

The President made this decision to maximize the chance of successfully negotiating a deal between Israel and the Palestinians, fulfilling a solemn obligation to defend America's national security interest. But as he repeatedly stated his intention to move the embassy, the question is not if that move happens, but when.

Q But he promised in the campaign to do it on day one. I mean, is there a time frame now for when he will do this?

MR. SPICER: His ultimate goal is to get peace. And as I said, it's not an "if," it's a "when."

Francesca.

Q Thank you, Sean. Following up on Kaitlan's question, -- and I have a second thing after that -- is it still the administration's position, though, that Jared Kushner was in the meeting with the Russian banker as a representative of the transition, representing the President?

MR. SPICER: As I said to Kaitlan, we're focused on the President's agenda, and going forward, all questions on these matters will be referred to outside counsel, Marc Kasowitz.

Q Well, something you may be able to answer directly, does the President still have confidence in Jared Kushner?

MR. SPICER: Absolutely.

Q Thank you, Sean. One of the ethics waivers the White House released applied to all White House appointees concerning discussions with the news media was retroactive. Was that aimed as -- did the White House have Steve Bannon's communication with Breitbart News in mind? Was that applied retroactively to address those communications? And any response to Director Shaub's claim that if you (inaudible) retroactively you have violated the rule?

MR. SPICER: Yes, that's correct. There's two pieces to that that are important. One is, remember, this didn't have to do with the law or regulations. This had to do with the President's pledge -- so he is the ultimate decider on that. This isn't with respect to a law or regulation. And what we discovered was that several individuals on staff had previously worked for media organizations, and in order to continue having those discussions and advancing the President's agenda and priorities, it was important to make sure that all individuals had the opportunity to be able to speak to the media about what the President was doing to make the country stronger.

For what it's worth, today happens to be National Leave Work Early Day. (Laughter.) I hope you all get a chance to participate and maybe you can go home -- if you participated in National Donut Day -- you can go home early. (Laughter.)

With that, I hope you guys take advantage of that day. Have a great weekend. Thank you.

Q Are you going home early? (Laughter.)

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Message

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Subject: Updated Talking Points re: Paris Briefing.docx
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I just made a few notes for his talking points, based on the call with the White House. Mandy, do you have the specific study we can refer to if asked about the CO2 emissions stats, please fill it in below? Otherwise, I will print this, and these notes from the White House prior to tomorrow. Thanks – Liz

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Hi Lincoln,

I'm writing to follow-up on my earlier emails in which I shared the link to the Italy mission briefing book. I understand from my colleagues that you may not be familiar with Outlook OneDrive. Therefore, I'm attaching the Word files for the Rome events so you can add the Administrator's remarks. Let me know if you have any questions. Thanks.

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Subject: Doroski, Brenda has shared 'Italy Mission and G7'

Dear Lincoln,

I am sharing a link to the briefing book for the Administrator's Italy Mission. I understand you are preparing the Administrator's talking points for several of the events. Please feel free to add the talking points directly to the briefing papers or send them to Anna Phillips as Word files and she will attach them to the papers. Thanks.

Brenda

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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
Washington D.C.

Administrator's Mission to Italy
June 5-13, 2017

Roundtable on Sustainable Packaging

DATE: Thursday, June 8, 2017
LOCATION: Lungotevere Thaon Di Revel, 76
TIME: 2:00–3:45 p.m.

I. Purpose

- This will be an opportunity to discuss innovations in sustainable packaging with representatives from relevant industries and organizations in Italy.
- The event will be hosted by the Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy, and Sustainable Development (ENEA) and the National Consortium for Collection, Recycling and Reuse of Plastic Packaging (COREPLA).

II. Key Asks or Messages

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has been a leader in working with the private sector in addressing environmental impacts while reducing costs and generating jobs in the packaging sector.
- EPA has successful partnerships with over 3,500 major corporations, small and medium enterprises, state and local governments, academia, religious affiliates and non-profits in the United States through our sustainable materials management (SMM) Program to enhance our economy and environment.
- Our SMM efforts – providing leadership, engaging partners, amplifying best practices and results, leveling the business playing field and demolishing regulatory barriers to success -- are all directed at strengthening the American economy by preventing this waste from occurring in the first place.
- From wasted food to the built environment, and electronics, EPA works hand-in-hand with our SMM partners like MLB, Wal-Mart, PepsiCo, Dell, Sprint, Sony and Staples to create value for the American people and the American economy.
- In moving forward, it is important that our work produce positive benefits for the economy, the environment, and for workers in our countries.

III. Participants

- Tullio Fanelli, Vice Director-General, Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA)
- Antonello Ciotto, Vice President, National Consortium for Collection, Recycling and Reuse of Plastic Packaging (COREPLA)
- Roberto Moribito, Head of Sustainability Department, COREPLA (Roundtable Chair)
- Giuliano Tomassi, Chief Executive Officer, Dow-Italy
- Luigi Capuzzi, Director of Research and Development, Novamont

- Galya Tsonkova, Environmental Manager, Coca-Cola Hellenic
- Other participants [*to be confirmed by U.S. Embassy Rome*]

U.S. Embassy

Kelly Degnan, Deputy Chief of Mission and Chargé d’Affaires, U.S. Embassy
 Caron DeMars, Environment, Science, Technology & Health Counselor (Control Officer)
 Federica Signoretti, Environment Specialist, U.S. Embassy

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- Jane Nishida, Acting Assistant Administrator, OITA
- Samantha Dravis, Associate Administrator for Policy
- Sarah Greenwalt, Senior Advisor for Water and Crosscutting Affairs, AO
- Mandy Gunasekara, Senior Advisor for Air and Radiation, AO
- Mark Kasman, Director of Regional and Bilateral Affairs, OITA
- Lincoln Ferguson, Deputy Press Secretary

IV. Run of Show

You will hear presentations from member companies (e.g., Coca-Cola) and have an opportunity to comment on the economic benefits, innovation, and role of federal vs states/local governments related to sustainable packaging and benefits to businesses. [*To be confirmed by Embassy Rome*]

V. Press: None

VI. Administrator’s Remarks:

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VII. Attachments: Notional Agenda, Participant Biographies



Italian National Agency for New Technologies,
Energy and Sustainable Economic Development

Notional Agenda

Innovation and Sustainable Production – Public Private Dialogue on the Creation of New Jobs and the Opportunities offered by Circular Economy

Visit of a Delegation of U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

ENEA Headquarters (*)
8th June 2017

14.00-14.10 Welcome of Tullio Fanelli, *ENEA Deputy Director-General*

Proposed sequence of interventions to compare U.S. and Italian best practices

14.10-14.20 Scott Pruitt, EPA Administrator

14.20-14.30 Roberto Morabito, *Head of the Territorial and Production Systems Sustainability
Department and Chairperson of the Roundtable*

14.30-14.40 U.S. Enterprise (Dow Chemical) *tbc*

14.40-14.50 Italian Enterprise (Novamont)

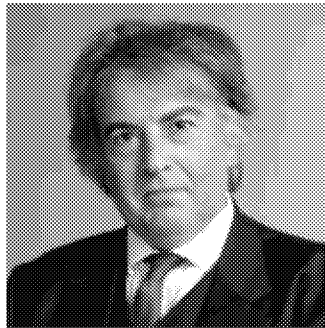
14.50-15.00 U.S. Enterprise (Coca Cola)

15.00-15.10 Italian Enterprise (Consorzio nazionale per la raccolta, il riciclaggio e il recupero
degli imballaggi in plastica-COREPLA)

15.10-15.45 Bilateral discussion, Conclusions

15.45 End of the visit

(*) Lungotevere Thaon di Revel, 76 - Rome



Tullio Fanelli

**Vice Director-General
Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy
and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA)**

Born in Foggia on 25th December 1956, Tullio Fanelli graduated in Nuclear Engineering at Sapienza University in Rome. He worked at ENEA and at the Ministry of Economic Development first as Head of the Technical Operative Secretariat and then as Director-General for Mineral and Energy Resources. He was member of the Italian Regulatory Authority for Electricity Gas and Water (AEEGSI).

In November [[HYPERLINK "https://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011"](https://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/2011) \o "2011"], he was appointed State Under Secretary at the Italian Ministry of the Environment, Land and Sea during Monti's Government. By decree of 2nd October 2014 of the Ministry of Economic Development he was appointed sub-Commissioner of ENEA.

His major responsibilities include: Member of CERSE (Committee of Experts for Research in the Electricity Sector); President of the Inter-Ministerial Council for Pacific Use of Nuclear Energy; President of the National Committee for the Security of Natural Gas Supply; and President of the Technical Committee for Fuel Distribution Network Restructuring.



Roberto Morabito

**Head of Sustainability Department
Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy
and Sustainable Economic Development (ENEA)**

Dr. Roberto Morabito is a senior scientist and project leader at ENEA (Italian Agency for New Technology, Energy and Environment).

He has been contracting Professor of Quality of measurements in the environmental analysis at several Italian universities.

He has co-ordinated the production and certification of two CRMs and was partner in the certification of about 15 CRMs, within the frame of EU Contracts.

He has been the chairman of many training courses and workshops in the field of quality control of analytical measurements sponsored by the EC (QUACHA, needs for infrastructure and RAP-LRM projects) and others.

He was the organizer and the chairman of international and national interlaboratories campaigns within the frame of EU and Italian Ministry for Research contracts.

He is author or co-author of more than 100 scientific papers in international journals and several book chapters and he has lectured in more than 20 International Conferences and Workshops as invited speaker.



Antonello Ciotti

**President of National Consortium for Collection, Recycling
and Reuse of Plastic Packaging (COREPLA)**

Antonello Ciotti is the Commercial Director of Equipolymers, and General manager of Equipolymers SRL. Equipolymers is a fully owned subsidiary of MEGlobal.

He is based in Milan, Italy

In the Dow Group since 1983, he served in various commercial roles in several locations -- Roma, Padova, Milano, and Horgen (CH). Returning to Italy in 1993, with the role of Sales and Marketing Manager for The Dow Chemical Company's Plastics business. In 1994, Antonello was a member of the due diligence team for the acquisition of 80% of INCA Spa, a leading European manufacturer of PET, from Enichem. After the acquisition, Ciotti led the company as General Manager until 1999 when Dow bought the remaining 20% of the shares and the business became part of the Dow Plastics portfolio.

Antonello Ciotti has served as the Commercial Director for Equipolymers since the formation of the company in 2004.

He represents EQP in European associations such as the Committee of PET Manufacturers in Europe (CPME) as Vice Chairman and deputy for all anti-dumping matters, Plastics Europe, Petcore and COREPLA, the Italian National Consortium for Collection, Recycling and Reuse of plastic packaging.

Antonello has a BS in Engineering from the University of Florence and a MBA degree from the Bocconi University in Milano.



Giuliano Tomassi Marinangeli

Chief Executive Officer, Dow-Italy

Giuliano Tomassi became Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Dow-Italy in January 2011

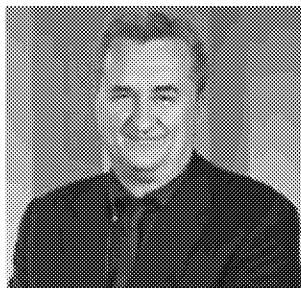
Since joining Dow in 1987, Tomassi held various roles both in Italy and Europe. From 1994 to 2003 he was based in the European Headquarters in Horgen (Zurich) serving as Market Manager. In 2004 he became Commercial Director for Dow Latex and in 2007 he assumed the role of Global Business Director for Paper & Carpet Emulsions until 2008, when he was named Executive Business Development Director for Eastern Europe.

Tomassi is also a Board Member of Federchimica, the Italian National Chemical Industry Association, a member of the Board of Directors of the American Chamber of Commerce in Italy and Chairman of the Justice Group for the Confindustria (Association of Employers) Foreign Investment Committee (CIE).

Tomassi has a Degree in Polymeric Materials Engineering and a Master in Business Administration.

Dow in Italy

Dow-Italy, a subsidiary of The Dow Chemical Company, has been present in Italy since 1960. With diversified business activities that combine science and technology, Dow Italy produces or commercializes plastic materials, basic and specialty chemicals and agrochemicals. The Company employs about 700 people in Italy located at the Milan and Bologna offices as well as at five production sites in Correggio, which also houses a global Polyurethanes R&D Center, Fombio, Mozzanica, Mozzate, and Parona. For more information, please visit the website [HYPERLINK "<http://www.dowchemical.it/>"].



Dr. Luigi Capuzzi

Director of Research and Development, Novamont

Luigi Capuzzi was born in Perugia on 10.11.1958 and graduated in Chemistry at Perugia University in 1981. He worked as researcher at Istituto Guido Donegani (Montedison Group) dealing with Synthesis of pheromones, new insecticides and development of new formulations.

In 1995 he became responsible for research and development at Sipcam-Oxon group and Director of the E. Gagliardini Research Center. During his experience at Oxon group he dealt with formulation research, quality assurance, synthesis of agrochemicals and fine chemical intermediates, biochemicals (biofuels, biogas) and management of the intellectual property of the group.

In 2008 he joined Novamont as Director for Research and Development and since 2012 he is also responsible for R&D at Matrica, a joint venture between Novamont and Eni-Versalis for the reconversion of the Porto Torres petrochemical site. He is co-author of more than 40 patent applications and several scientific publications and communications.

Novamont SpA manufactures biodegradable materials and bioplastics using renewable agricultural origins. It manufactures Mater-Bi, a family of naturally biodegradable and compostable bioplastics. The company was founded in 1990 and is headquartered in Novara, Italy.

The petrochemical plant at Porto Torres was converted into a €180m innovative green chemistry complex, a 50/50 joint venture between Versalis (ENI) and Novamont. It transforms vegetable oils into bio-products such as bio-plastics, bio-lubricants, and products for household, personal, and health care.



Galya Tsonkova

**Environmental Manager, Coca-Cola Hellenic
Chair of the Global Environmental Council of The Coca-Cola Company.**

Galya graduated from the University for Food Technologies in Plovdiv, Bulgaria and specialized in effective management at New Bulgarian University. She worked for 10 years at different positions on different projects in Nestle Bulgaria. In 2009 she won an award for "Best project in Southeast Europe for process improvement."

Since June 2010 she has been working for Coca-Cola Hellenic Bulgaria.

Coca-Cola Hellenic Bottling Company, a leading bottler of Coca-Cola Company products with operations in 28 countries, has pledged to cut absolute emissions across its operations and value chain 25 percent by 2020. Galya Tsonkova, Environment Manager for Coca-Cola HBC, explains: "In the past, companies would set targets without the necessary information or a solid point of reference. They would just pick a round figure and aim for cuts of 20, 30, 40 percent, with no further justification, other than generic aspirations. Now, we have a target that is reviewed and approved by external, credible experts for alignment with relevant scientific methodology. That makes a big difference, both for external stakeholders as well as to our management."

Message

From: Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]
Sent: 3/26/2018 2:28:55 AM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Subject: CA Speeches
Attachments: Lincoln Club 3-26-18.docx; Ag Roundtable Matt Swanson.docx; Pacific Club Breakfast 3-27-18.docx; Riverside County Farm Bureau 3-26-18.docx

Lincoln, here are the Word docs for the speech cards I dropped off in case you need to edit any of them. Tate signed off on the Riverside County Farm Bureau one so we're good on that. The Pacific Club Breakfast was oriented off questions that Hugh gave to Tate that he would ask SP. And the AG Roundtable is talkers based off the CA Ag talkers that went around. The Lincoln Club speech was sort of a shot in the dark. It's a new audience for him, so I wasn't precisely sure how to frame it. If SP wants to make edits, I can definitely help tomorrow morning/afternoon.

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Best,
Chris

Ag Roundtable at Matt Swanson's Ranch

Host: Matt Swanson, President of Associated Feed and Supply Company

Attendees: Approx. 25, including members of CA Farm Bureau, local farm bureaus, ag commissioners, and other members of the ag industry

VIP: Congressman Jeff Denham (CA-10)

Top-Line California Agriculture Issues

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Lincoln Club of Orange County Dinner
Monday, March 26 @ 6pm-8pm

Introduction: John Warner, CEO of O'Neill Sportswear (He went to University of Tulsa)

VIPs: Rep. Mimi Walters (CA-45), Chairman Ed Royce (CA-39), Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (CA-48)

Media: Closed to press.

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Pacific Club Breakfast
Newport Beach, CA
Tuesday, 3/27 @ 8-9am

Moderator: Hugh Hewitt, host of The Hugh Hewitt Show on the Salem Radio Network and the Hugh Hewitt TV Show on MSNBC.

Top-Line Issues for Discussion

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Riverside County Farm Bureau Roundtable
Moreno Valley, CA
Monday, March 26 @ 1:00-2:15pm

Length: 10 min remarks then Q&A

Audience: Approx 20, including **Congressman Ken Calvert**, California Farm Bureau President Jamie Johansson , members of the Riverside and Orange County Farm Bureaus, San Bernardino County Ag Commissioner Roberta Willhite, Riverside County Ag Commissioner Ruben Arroyo, and other private companies, including third generation citrus producers John Gless Sr. and John Gless Jr.

Run of Show:

1:00 PM - CFBF Pres. Jamie Johansson Opens

1:05 PM - Introductions

1:15 PM - Congressman Ken Calvert Speaks

1:20 PM – YOU SPEAK

1:30 PM – Q&A Session

2:15 PM - Roundtable Adjourns

Intro: **Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)**

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Message

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Sent: 8/15/2017 2:43:21 PM
To: Darwin, Veronica [darwin.veronica@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: sample talking points
Attachments: This Week Talkers 3-26-17 - Edits.docx

Sorry about that!

From: Darwin, Veronica
Sent: Tuesday, August 15, 2017 10:40 AM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: sample talking points

A gentle reminder to send me the sample talking points. Thank you!
V.

From: Darwin, Veronica
Sent: Monday, August 14, 2017 1:15 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: sample talking points

Hi Lincoln,
I am drafting talking points on CERCLA 108(b) for the Administrator. Can you send me a sample doc so that I know what you are all looking for? Thank you!
Veronica

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Interview: This Week with George Stephanopolous

8:15am CST – LIVE

?? Minutes

KTUL Studios – Tulsa

Information: *Any additional information the Administrator needs to know can go here (who he is leading up to or following/specific topics requested etc.)*

Clean Power Plan

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CO2/Climate Change Comments

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EPA BUDGET

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EMAILS/Ethics Complaint

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Possible Senate Run

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ObamaCare / Question: Do you have any comments about how President Donald Trump and GOP leaders yanked their bill to repeal Obamacare off the House floor on Friday? You can agree this was humiliating and a huge

setback to the President?

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Message

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/27/2017 2:52:08 AM
To: Ex. 6 L Ferguson personal email
Subject: Fwd: Editorial Board
Attachments: OK Talking Points.docx; ATT00001.htm

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Date: July 26, 2017 at 10:33:15 AM CDT
To: "Letendre, Daisy" <letendre.daisy@epa.gov>, "Bowman, Liz" <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>, "Graham, Amy" <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: "Wilcox, Jahan" <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>, "Jackson, Ryan" <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Editorial Board

All -

Attached are talking points for Oklahoma. Daisy is going to take the lead on compiling the other policy issue points and combine them with these so that he has one briefing to look at before the editorial board meeting.

Please look over and edit as you see fit.

Thanks,
Lincoln

-----Original Message-----

From: Ferguson, Lincoln
Sent: Wednesday, July 26, 2017 9:04 AM
To: Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov>
Cc: Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; McMurray, Forrest <mcmurray.forrest@epa.gov>; Letendre, Daisy <letendre.daisy@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Editorial Board

Correct.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 26, 2017, at 9:03 AM, Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov> wrote:

So plan to be at the Oklahoman from 3PM - 4PM on Thursday?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 26, 2017, at 6:54 AM, Ferguson, Lincoln
<ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov> wrote:

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I'll work with Liz, Amy and daisy to get this ready.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 26, 2017, at 8:51 AM, Jackson, Ryan
<jackson.ryan@epa.gov> wrote:

What do you need for this? I would recommend

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Ryan Jackson
Chief of Staff
U.S. EPA

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On Jul 26, 2017, at 8:36 AM,
Ferguson, Lincoln
<ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov> wrote:

At the invitation of Owen Canfield,
the Administrator would like to do a
30 minute editorial board meeting at
the Oklahoman.

This will be at 3:00 on Thursday,
followed by the interview with Justin
at the Oklahoman.

Just wanted you all to be in the loop.

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Message

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Sent: 7/25/2017 9:26:58 PM
To: Wagner, Kenneth [wagner.kenneth@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Oklahoma Week July 26th-July 28th.docx
Attachments: OK Farm Bureau 3-29-17.docx; American Farm Bureau 7-11-17.docx

From: Wagner, Kenneth
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 5:09 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Oklahoma Week July 26th-July 28th.docx

Lincoln: You were gonna send me a note card from a previous speech geared towards the AG community.... I speak on Thursday and just really want as a reference as this will mostly be a Q&A panel

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Senior Advisor to the Administrator
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Office: 202-564-1988
Cell: Ex. 6
wagner.kenneth@epa.gov

On Jul 25, 2017, at 1:02 PM, Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov> wrote:

Sorry...two more slight changes:

Can you please add a phone interview Thursday morning at 8:10am?

Exploring Energy with Shawn Wilson
Call-in: Ex. 6
10 mins.
Hosts: Shawn and Jared

Also...please change breakfast on Friday to Coffee at Coffee Slingers.

Thanks!

From: McMurray, Forrest
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 2:00 PM
To: Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Greenwalt, Sarah <greenwalt.sarah@epa.gov>; Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Letendre, Daisy <letendre.daisy@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Wagner, Kenneth <wagner.kenneth@epa.gov>
Cc: Perrotta, Pasquale <Perrotta.Pasquale@epa.gov>
Subject: Oklahoma Week July 26th-July 28th.docx

Updated LxL for Oklahoma. More updates are possible. Let me know if you have any questions.

**American Farm Bureau State
Leadership Meeting**

***Tuesday, 7/11 @ 8:30am
Capitol Holiday Inn***

Length: 15 min. remarks; 10 min. Q&A

Introduction: Tom Buchanan, OK Farm Bureau

**Zippy Duvall, American Farm Bureau President*

Audience: Approx. 125 state presidents, farm bureau staff, leadership

Media: Closed press.

Run of Show:

8:30am – ZD introduces Tom Buchanan

8:33am – TB introduces YOU

8:35am – YOU give remarks

8:50am – Q&A

9:00am – Depart

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Oklahoma Farm Bureau

Wednesday, 3/29 @ 1:00pm

Green Room – EPA HQ

Length: 15 min. remarks; 10 min. Q&A

Introduction: Tom Buchanan

Audience: Approx. 55 OK Farm Bureau members and staff

Media: Closed to press.

Run of Show:

12:50pm – Farm Bureau members arrive

1:00pm – Administrator arrives and mingles

1:15pm – Tom Buchanan introduces

Administrator

1:15pm – Administrator gives remarks

1:30pm – Q&A

1:45pm – End of event

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Sent: 8/4/2017 3:59:14 AM
To: Ex. 6 L Ferguson personal email
Subject: FW: Need ASAP for RJ
Attachments: 08.02.2017 Colorado Interview Briefing.docx

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From: Bowman, Liz
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 11:03 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Cc: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Cory, Preston (Katherine) <Cory.Preston@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>; Letendre, Daisy <letendre.daisy@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Need ASAP for RJ

Attached is the brief that I drafted for the Administrator with the same format as Indiana. This includes the three press outlets that James suggested (which correspond with what Gardner's office sent yesterday). It includes contact information, etc. Daisy and I pulled this together, so it should be helpful.

The plan, following the discussion that Tate, Lincoln, RJ and I had with the Administrator, is that he wants to

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From: Letendre, Daisy
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 10:49 AM
To: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Cc: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Cory, Preston (Katherine) <Cory.Preston@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Need ASAP for RJ

Liz and I handled. Thanks.

From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 10:43 AM
To: Letendre, Daisy <letendre.daisy@epa.gov>
Cc: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Cory, Preston (Katherine) <Cory.Preston@epa.gov>; Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Need ASAP for RJ

I'm not doing any talking points. Media for Colorado is still up in the air.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 2, 2017, at 9:39 AM, Letendre, Daisy <letendre.daisy@epa.gov> wrote:

Okay – we were supposed to have everything for this week’s travel completed by COB yesterday, and RJ wants to see everything now.

Do we not have the talking points done for Colorado or do we just not have media lined up? At the very least I need to get him the talking points this morning...

From: Ferguson, Lincoln

Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 9:36 AM

To: Letendre, Daisy <letendre.daisy@epa.gov>

Cc: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Cory, Preston (Katherine) <Cory.Preston@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Need ASAP for RJ

Amy was still working on finalizing those

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 2, 2017, at 9:29 AM, Letendre, Daisy <letendre.daisy@epa.gov> wrote:

Now just need the Colorado press briefing...

From: Letendre, Daisy

Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 9:19 AM

To: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>; Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Cc: Cory, Preston (Katherine) <Cory.Preston@epa.gov>

Subject: Need ASAP for RJ

For Indiana I have the daily agenda, the wotus roundtable bios and the interview sheet with talking points.

For Colorado I ONLY have the agenda. **I need the bios and the interview sheets with talking points.**

Could someone please send me what we have in the binder for the administrator for Colorado?

Friday, August 4, 2017
Gold King Mine, Colorado

TBD – TV Interview with Jennifer Brockman, KDVR/KWGN

Reporter: Jennifer Brockman

Outlet: Colorado TV Station

Location: TBD

Address:

Format:

Topics: Gold King Mine, EPA Action

Contact: **Ex 6** [HYPERLINK "mailto:Jennifer.Brockman@kdvr.com" \t "_blank"]

TBD – Radio Interview with Dan Lewis (Steffan Tubs is the on-air host)

Reporter: Dan Lewis, Rockies Reporter

Outlet: KOA Newsradio, iHeartMedia Markets Group

Location:

Address:

Format: call-in

Topics: Gold King Mine, EPA Action

Contact: **Ex 6** [HYPERLINK "mailto:danlewis@iheartmedia.com"]

TBD – Print interview with Peter Marcus, The Gazette

Reporter: Peter Marcus

Outlet: The Gazette, ColoradoPolitics.com

Call in #:

Location: TBD – potential exclusive at GKM

Address:

Format:

Topics:

Contact: **Ex 6** [HYPERLINK "mailto:peter.marcus@gazette.com"]

Colorado Talking Points:

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GOLD KING MINE BACKGROUND

- In January 2017, EPA denied 79 administrative claims filed by farmers, ranchers, homeowners, businesses, employees, state and local governments, as well as other individuals seeking damages in connection with the Gold King Mine incident.
- In February 2017, the State of Utah filed an administrative claim seeking \$1.9 billion. Utah's claim is still pending, as are all administrative claims that have been filed after Utah.

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- EPA has already reimbursed Utah for approximately \$700,000 in CERCLA response costs separate from the pending \$1.9 billion claim under the Federal Tort Claims Act.
- The State of New Mexico and the Navajo Nation, whose administrative claims were denied, have filed motions seeking to add their tort claims to the preexisting Gold King Mine litigation in the District of New Mexico. DOJ (on behalf of the United States) opposed those motions on various jurisdictional grounds. The court has not yet ruled on the motions. EPA is barred from reconsidering administrative claims once litigation has been filed.
- On July 5, 2017, EPA mailed letters to all claimants whose administrative claims had been denied (except for New Mexico and the Navajo Nation, due to the litigation) notifying them that the Agency was reconsidering their claims and requesting that they submit additional documentation.
- On July 6, 2017, EPA received 59 new administrative tort claims from a law firm filed on behalf of individual members of the Navajo Nation. (The law firm is also representing the Navajo Nation as a whole in the district court litigation.) In addition, the firm submitted three requests for reconsideration on behalf of claimants who were not previously represented and whose administrative claims had been denied.
- On July 7, 2017, another law firm representing 14 individual claimants seeking personal injury and property damages, filed suit in district court. It is unclear whether the law firm received notice of the reconsideration because the lawsuit was filed the same day the reconsideration letters were delivered.

- There are currently 67 administrative tort claims pending that have not received an initial determination, including Utah's. An additional 77 administrative tort claims are under reconsideration. (That number includes 13 of law firm's clients, but we are unsure whether those claims may still be reconsidered given the timing of the filing of the lawsuit.) Thus, there are 144 total claims pending that require EPA action.
- EPA has six months (until the end of December) to act on claims under reconsideration. If EPA does not act on the claim, it may be deemed "constructively denied" and the claimant may choose to file suit. (Note that DOJ has not conceded that the *sua sponte* reconsideration was legally valid.)

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Sent: 6/19/2017 3:44:30 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Subject: public power
Attachments: Large Public Power Council 5-22-17.docx

Large Public Power Council CEO
Meeting

Monday, 5/22 12:15pm
Washington Court Hotel

Length: 20 min. remarks, 10 min.
discussion

Audience: approx. 100 utility CEOs and
senior staff

Introduction: Dan Sullivan; *General*
Manager/CEO Grand River Dam Authority

Others attending:
**Cheryl LaFleur, Acting Federal Energy*
Regulatory Commission Chairman

Run of Show:

- 12:15pm – Dan Sullivan introduces
YOU
- 12:20 – YOU give remarks
- 12:40pm – Q&A
- 12:50pm – Depart

Media: Closed press.

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Sent: 6/6/2017 5:46:44 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
Subject: FOR REVIEW
Attachments: SP Infrastructure 6-7-17.docx

Updated speech for tomorrow

Lincoln Ferguson

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Message

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/6/2017 10:37:20 AM
To: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Plain Text Speech

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Sent: 6/1/2017 4:55:20 PM
To: Konkus, John [konkus.john@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Speech
Attachments: SP Paris.docx

From: Ferguson, Lincoln
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 12:55 PM
To: Konkus, John <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: Speech

Hold this CLOSE until the speech is given. Also, still a chance it could be tweaked. Will keep you posted.

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Message

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Sent: 6/1/2017 2:48:10 PM
To: Hale, Michelle [hale.michelle@epa.gov]
Attachments: SP SPEECH 6-1-17.docx; SP Paris FINAL.docx

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To: Ferguson, Lincoln [ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov]
Attachments: SP Paris.docx; SP SPEECH 6-1-17.docx

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Sent: 7/5/2017 6:04:21 PM
To: Hewitt, James [hewitt.james@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Alabama/Georgia Travel Briefing
Attachments: Updated 7.3.2017 Alabama Travel w press.docx; ATT00001.htm; Updated 7.3.2017 Georgia Travel w press.docx; ATT00002.htm

Attached are the briefings for both days...as far as topics for what he will be discussing it will be about restoring

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From: Graham, Amy
Sent: Wednesday, July 5, 2017 8:42 AM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>; Lyons, Troy <lyons.troy@epa.gov>
Cc: Bowman, Liz <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Alabama/Georgia Travel Briefing

Hey - I just realized this flight lands at 9:40 CT, 10:40 ET, so I'm going to be cutting it really close making it on the call. In case I don't make it, everything in the briefing is the latest from a press standpoint. It's going to be all friendly press and I'm on the ground advancing today.

The only other thing I would flag is this

story: http://www.al.com/news/index.ssf/2017/06/luther_strange_calls_superfund.html

Our response should simply be that **Deliberative Process / Ex. 5**

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Graham, Amy" <graham.amy@epa.gov>
Date: July 3, 2017 at 3:01:15 PM EDT
To: "Lyons, Troy" <lyons.troy@epa.gov>, "Morris, Madeline" <morris.madeline@epa.gov>, "Jackson, Ryan" <jackson.ryan@epa.gov>, "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Cc: "Wagner, Kenneth" <wagner.kenneth@epa.gov>, "Chmielewski, Kevin" <chmielewski.kevin@epa.gov>, "McMurray, Forrest" <mcmurray.forrest@epa.gov>, "Hupp, Millan" <hupp.millan@epa.gov>, "Liz Bowman (Bowman.Liz@epa.gov)" <Bowman.Liz@epa.gov>, "Jahan Wilcox (wilcox.jahan@epa.gov)" <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>, "Konkus, John" <konkus.john@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Alabama/Georgia Travel Briefing

All – Attached are the latest versions of the Alabama and Georgia event briefings. We have been working with the POC for each event identify trusted local press to cover each event. Two friendly local radio interviews have also been added to the schedule in Alabama.

I'll be arriving in Alabama on Wednesday morning to manage press advance.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Amy

From: Lyons, Troy
Sent: Friday, June 30, 2017 8:11 AM
To: Morris, Madeline <morris.madeline@epa.gov>
Cc: Graham, Amy <graham.amy@epa.gov>; Wagner, Kenneth <wagner.kenneth@epa.gov>;
Chmielewski, Kevin <chmielewski.kevin@epa.gov>; McMurray, Forrest <mcmurray.forrest@epa.gov>;
Hupp, Millan <hupp.millan@epa.gov>
Subject: Alabama/Georgia Travel Briefing

Good morning, Maddie. Could you find time (shouldn't take too long) for us (and RJ) to walk the Administrator through the schedule of events for his Alabama and Georgia trip?

Many thanks,

Troy

Troy M. Lyons
Associate Administrator
Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Relations
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Ex. 6 (cell)

TO: Administrator Pruitt
FROM: OCIR, OPA
CC: Ryan Jackson
RE: Alabama Travel (July 6th)
DATE: July 6, 2017

Purpose: Senator Luther Strange (R-AL) will host you at two locations in Alabama to tour a local power plant and farm to highlight recent actions taken on the Clean Power Plan and WOTUS. You and Senator Strange will deliver brief remarks at each location focusing on the benefits of withdrawing both rules. Alabama is an ideal location to visit given both locations close proximity to each other.

Attire: Dress shirt (no tie), blazer and slacks.

Note: Birmingham, Alabama is in the Central Time Zone

AGENDA

6:00AM EST- 7:41AM EST	FLY: DCA to ATL Delta Flight 2080 Record Locator: GI4ABH
8:38AM EST- 8:30AM CST	FLY: ATL to BHM Delta Flight 5438 Record Locator: Ex. 6 Drive time to Plant Gaston: 52 minutes
9:15 CST – 9:30 CST	Live radio interview by phone with “Alabama’s Morning News with JT” Host: Jeff Tyson Nysewander Station: 105.5 WERC Topic: Alabama events and regulatory roll back Call in: Ex. 6 Producer: Wade Smith, [HYPERLINK "mailto:wadesmith@iheartmedia.com"], Ex. 6
10:00AM CST- 11:30AM CST	Clean Power Plan Event Plant Gaston 31972 Highway 25 Wilsonville, AL 10:00– 10:15am: Hold informal press availability at the Visitors Center with two friendly, pre-selected media outlets. This building is outside the main security gate, making it easier than shepherding press through to the plant. They also need to keep press separate from the meeting with employees. 10:15am: End press avail 10:20am: Begin discussion with employees (closed press) Plant Manager gives the safety briefing, introduces SVP of Generation Jim Heilbron

	<p>10:25am: Remarks: (closed press)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Audience Size: 150 -Heilbron gives a brief welcome, introduces Sen. Luther Strange -Sen. Strange gives brief welcome, introduces Administrator Pruitt -Pruitt addresses plant employees -Heilbron thanks Pruitt and Strange, dismisses audience <p>10:45am: Begin tour of plant (closed press)</p> <p>11:30: Depart for Brentwood Farms</p> <p>Drive time to Brentwood Farm: 60 minutes</p>
11:45 CST- 12:00 CST	<p>Live radio interview by phone with "Yellowhammer Radio"</p> <p>Hosts: Scott Chambers and Andrea Tice</p> <p>Station: 101 WYDE SuperStation</p> <p>Topic: Alabama events and regulatory roll back</p> <p>Call in: <input type="text" value="Ex. 6"/></p>
12:30PM CST- 1:45PM CST	<p>Alabama Farm Federation Event Brentwood Farm</p> <p>12:30PM: Lunch with Chip and Mistie Burkes (owners) Attendees: Senator Strange, Administrator Pruitt Jimmy Parnell (President, Alabama Farm Federation)</p> <p>12:55pm: Tour of Farm led by Chip and Mistie Burkes 1:00pm: Larger group arrives (additional guests of Burkes family, state board and local farmers invited by ALFA, guests identified by Pruitt and/or Strange)</p> <p>1:20pm: Remarks (Open Press)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Audience Size: 50 -Chip Burkes introduces Jimmy Parnell for remarks -Jimmy Parnell introduces Sen. Strange to offer remarks -Sen. Strange introduces Administrator Pruitt for remarks <p>*One pre-selected trust media source is being selected to cover the event as an exclusive</p> <p>1:45pm: Depart for airport</p> <p>Drive time to BHM: 55 minutes</p>
3:52PM CST- 6:57PM CST	<p>FLY: BHM to DTW Delta Flight 6250</p> <p>Record Locator: <input type="text" value="Ex. 6"/></p>
8:15PM CST- 9:50 PM EST	<p>FLY: DTW to DCA Delta Flight: 2287</p> <p>Record Locator: <input type="text" value="Ex. 6"/></p>

PLANT GASTON—CPP EVENT

Plant Gaston

Background

- Total of five generating units
- 1,975 MWs of capacity—enough energy to serve about 250,000 homes
- Approximately two million tons of coal and 6 MCF of natural gas burned annually.
- No outstanding enforcement matters pending against this facility or Alabama Power.
- A previous New Source Review enforcement matter against Alabama Power was settled in 2006 after significant litigation from 1999-2006 with a modification to the consent decree in 2015. Neither the original nor the modified consent decree involved Plant Gaston.

Environmental Enhancements

- Invested \$900 million in the following environmental controls.
- Projected to spend an additional \$350 million on additional land and water controls.
- Site of the *National Carbon Capture Center*, a DOE-sponsored research facility that accelerates the commercialization of advanced technologies to enable fossil fuel-based power plants to achieve near-zero emissions.

Workforce/Economic Impact

- 305 full-time employees (198 are part of the IBEW union).
- \$26 million annually in labor (including overtime)
- \$83 million annually in contract labor

Clean Power Plan Talking Points

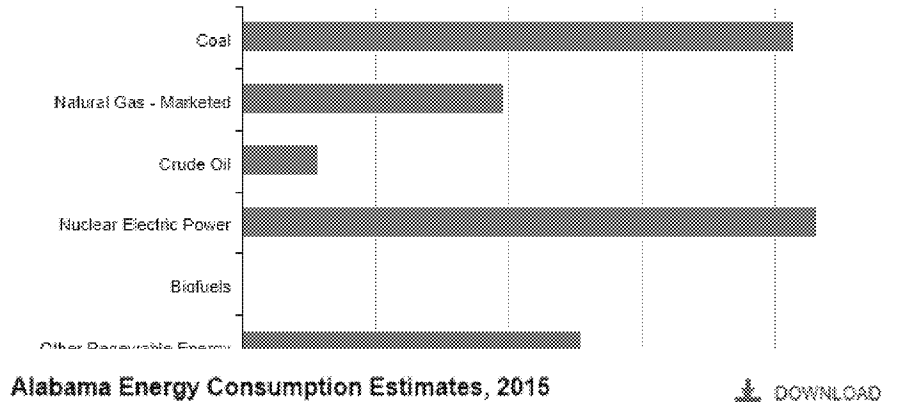
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Alabama Energy Snapshot

- The electric power sector is the largest consumer of natural gas in Alabama, accounting for 63% of consumption in 2016.
- In 2016, the port of Mobile, Alabama, handled the second-largest tonnage of U.S. coal imports, as well as the third-largest tonnage of coal exports (mostly coking coal used in steelmaking).

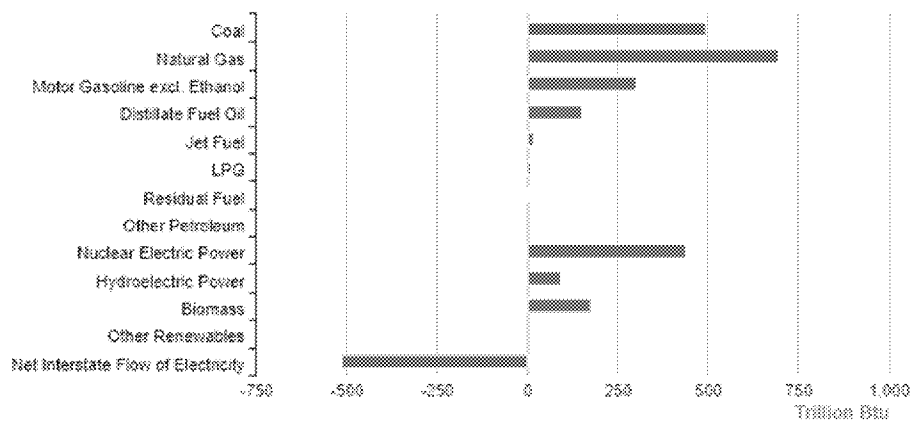
Alabama Energy Production Estimates, 2014

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Alabama Energy Consumption Estimates, 2015

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BRENTWOOD FARMS—WOTUS EVENT

Brentwood Farms

- A 625-acre farm that is owned and operated by Chip and Mistie Burkes
- The Burkes family has owned the property for approximately raise more than 350 head of Simmental and Sim-Angus cattle.

Waters of the US Talking Points

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Alabama Superfund issue:

- Background story: [[HYPERLINK](http://www.al.com/news/birmingham/index.ssf/2017/06/former_alabama_legislator_oliv.htm) "http://www.al.com/news/birmingham/index.ssf/2017/06/former_alabama_legislator_oliv.htm"]

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Message

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=08CD7F82606244DE96B61B96681C46DE-FERGUSON, L]
Sent: 6/29/2017 12:51:55 PM
To: Gunasekara, Mandy [Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Remarks

Yep – coming!

From: Gunasekara, Mandy
Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2017 8:51 AM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Remarks

Are you ready to brief boss now?

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 29, 2017, at 8:08 AM, Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov> wrote:

Thank you!

From: Gunasekara, Mandy
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 9:41 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Remarks

Sorry so late. Don't hate me. TPs below.

CPP Update:

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From: Ferguson, Lincoln
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 1:24 PM
To: Gunasekara, Mandy <Gunasekara.Mandy@epa.gov>
Subject: Remarks

Just your friendly reminder about the CPP points. Doesn't have to be anything too long – just points to update the group he is speaking to tomorrow.

Thanks!

Lincoln Ferguson

Senior Advisor to the Administrator
Office of Public Affairs
U.S. EPA
(202) 564-1935

Message

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=08CD7F82606244DE96B61B96681C46DE-FERGUSON, L]
Sent: 6/28/2017 8:41:33 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
Subject: RE:
Attachments: Daily Caller Talking Points 6-29-17.docx

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 3:58 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: Re:

Also do you have the remarks ready for the 4:30?

Ryan Jackson
Chief of Staff

U.S. EPA

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> On Jun 28, 2017, at 3:56 PM, Jackson, Ryan <jackson.ryan@epa.gov> wrote:
>
> Will you shoot me the speaking card for ACCCE?
>
> Also no remarks are necessary for the dominance meeting. Only Q&A. Dominating Q&A.
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> _____
> Ryan Jackson
> Chief of Staff
> U.S. EPA
> Ex. 6

Thursday, June 29, 2017 – 4:45pm

On-Camera Taped Interview with Ginni Thomas, Daily Caller



Time: 4:45pm-5:15pm

Location: EPA headquarters, Administrator's Office

Reporter: Ginni Thomas

Outlet: Daily Caller News Foundation

Topics: Back to Basics, Paris Agreement, Overall goals

Contact: [[HYPERLINK "mailto:vthomas@libertyinc.co"](mailto:vthomas@libertyinc.co)], **Ex. 6** (cell)

Reporter bio

Ginni Thomas is an attorney and founder of Liberty Consulting. She is a columnist for The Daily Caller and has worked for the Heritage Foundation and is the wife of U.S. Supreme Court Assoc. Justice Clarence Thomas.

Anticipated Questions:

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From: Ferguson, Lincoln [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=08CD7F82606244DE96B61B96681C46DE-FERGUSON, L]
Sent: 6/28/2017 8:09:11 PM
To: Jackson, Ryan [jackson.ryan@epa.gov]
Subject: RE:
Attachments: ACCCE Remarks 6-28-17.docx; ACCCE Notes.docx

Attached are proposed remarks, still completing them.

I've also attached a card with the topics we discussed for him to review beforehand - still need a few points on CPP.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jackson, Ryan
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2017 3:57 PM
To: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject:

Will you shoot me the speaking card for ACCCE?

Also no remarks are necessary for the dominance meeting. Only Q&A. Dominating Q&A.

Ryan Jackson
Chief of Staff

U.S. EPA

Ex. 6

ACCCE Summer Board Meeting
Thursday, 7/29 10:00am
DCI Group

Length: 25 min. remarks, 15 min. Q&A

Audience: 30-45 ACCCE staff, board members, consultants

Introduction: Paul Bailey; *President and CEO*

Run of Show:

- 10:00am – PB introduces YOU
- 10:05am – YOU give remarks
- 10:30am – Q&A
- 10:50am – YOU depart

Media: Closed press.

Opening:

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Message

From: Ferguson, Lincoln [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=08CD7F82606244DE96B61B96681C46DE-FERGUSON, L]
Sent: 6/27/2017 8:33:51 PM
To: Kelly, Albert [kelly.albert@epa.gov]
CC: Graham, Amy [graham.amy@epa.gov]
Subject: Superfund Interview Tomorrow
Attachments: 06.28.2017 FoxNews.com Interview.docx

Hey Kell –

Hope you're having a great Tuesday. Are you good to help prep the Administrator tomorrow morning at 10am for his interview on Superfunds?

Attached is are notes Amy put together that will be helpful for him to review tonight, but he may have specific questions in the morning, of which I think it would be helpful to have you there.

Thanks,
Lincoln

Lincoln Ferguson

Senior Advisor to the Administrator
Office of Public Affairs
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(202) 564-1935

Wednesday, June 28, 2017 – 10:15 a.m.

On-Camera Taped Interview with Andrew O’Reilly, FoxNews.com

Time: 10:15 – 10:40 a.m.

Location: EPA headquarters, Administrator’s receiving room

Reporter: Andrew O’Reilly

Outlet: FoxNews.com

Topics: Superfund Initiative

Contact: [[HYPERLINK "mailto:Andrew.Oreilly@FOXNEWS.COM"](mailto:Andrew.Oreilly@FOXNEWS.COM)], 610-246-2691 (cell)

Note: Camera crew will arrive at 9:15 for set up.

Reporter bio

Andrew O’Reilly is a reporter for Fox News Channel based in New York. He was previously a reporter for Fox New Latino and a freelance writer for ESPN. He attended the University of Pittsburgh and NYU’s journalism school.

Anticipated Questions:

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Suggested Talking Points:

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Message

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Sent: 3/15/2018 2:18:24 PM
To: Daniell, Kelsi [daniell.kelsi@epa.gov]
Subject: Fwd: Updated OK Youth Expo remarks
Attachments: Oklahoma Youth Expo 3-15-18.docx; ATT00001.htm

Lincoln Ferguson
Senior Advisor to the Administrator

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Date: March 14, 2018 at 11:10:28 PM CDT

To: **Ex. 6 - L Ferguson personal email**

Subject: Fwd: Updated OK Youth Expo remarks

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Beach, Christopher" <beach.christopher@epa.gov>

Date: March 14, 2018 at 1:27:31 PM CDT

To: "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Updated OK Youth Expo remarks

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From: Ferguson, Lincoln

Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2018 2:07 PM

To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>

Subject: Re: Updated OK Youth Expo remarks

Good call - thanks! Boomer

Lincoln Ferguson
Senior Advisor to the Administrator

Ex. 6

On Mar 14, 2018, at 1:49 PM, Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Okay, great suggestion. I'll make that change and send you the final.
Thanks for the quick feedback! FYI, Oklahoma plays Rhode Island in the

NCAA tournament tomorrow around noon so if they win he'll definitely want to mention that. I didn't put a mention in because it would be really awkward if they lost lol.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 14, 2018, at 1:37 PM, Ferguson, Lincoln
<ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov> wrote:

This is really good.

Only edit i have is to make the closing more of a challenge/charge to the students - something like: Be the difference in this world - what you do each day will power and feed the world for centuries to come.

Lincoln Ferguson
Senior Advisor to the Administrator

Ex. 6

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<Oklahoma Youth Expo 3-15-18.docx>

Oklahoma Youth Expo
Oklahoma State Fair Park
Thursday, March 15 at 6pm

Length: 15 minutes

Introduction: Bob Funk, Chairman and CEO of the Oklahoma Youth Expo.

Audience: Approximately 3,000.

Press: Open

Agenda:

5:30 pm - Scholarship Presentations

*6:00 pm - **YOU SPEAK***

6:30 pm - Selection and Presentation of Grand Champion Animals

Open:

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Sent: 3/15/2018 4:06:15 AM
To: Ex. 6 L Ferguson personal email
Subject: Fwd: Updated OK Youth Expo remarks

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Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Beach, Christopher" <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Date: March 14, 2018 at 1:38:09 PM CDT
To: "Ferguson, Lincoln" <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Updated OK Youth Expo remarks

Whew, good thinking! You are psychic lol.

From: Ferguson, Lincoln
Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2018 2:32 PM
To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Updated OK Youth Expo remarks

I had a feeling that could happen...

I brought some extra notecards just in case - so i can print when we get to the hotel and we'll be good to go!

Lincoln Ferguson
Senior Advisor to the Administrator
Ex. 6

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Sent: 2/7/2018 1:48:07 PM
To: Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Texas Water Day Remarks

Yes please- thank you!

Lincoln Ferguson
Senior Advisor to the Administrator

Ex. 6

On Feb 7, 2018, at 8:38 AM, Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

I made a small change and added some of the stuff Tate wanted. Do you want me to print the cards out and leave them on your desk?

From: Ferguson, Lincoln
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 8:26 AM
To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Cc: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Texas Water Day Remarks

This looks great. Good stats and good to use his visit to Texas last year.

Lincoln Ferguson
Senior Advisor to the Administrator

Ex. 6

On Feb 7, 2018, at 8:20 AM, Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Ok, thanks. I'll find a spot to add it.

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 6, 2018, at 9:26 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

Also, he served on this commission so he's well qualified to run the corps:

"R.D. James has extensive experience working alongside the Army Corps of Engineers during his 36 years of service on the Mississippi River Commission"

On Feb 6, 2018, at 9:21 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

I was remiss to mention these guys care about Army Corps permitting reform. RD James was just confirmed

by the Senate on Jan 25 as the Assistant Secretary of the Army (head of Army Corps).

Chris, do you have room on the card to remind him to bring up the fact that he looks forward to working with RD? JD is also a KY native like Pruitt. Bio below. Top line- JD is a former self-employed grain / cotton gin farmer who understands the importance of a timely permitting process.

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Member



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Association, Member of the Board Member, Missouri, Kennelwood. He is a past member of Directors of the Sikeston, Missouri Madrid County (served as the president 1998). A native of Fulton, he and his wife have three children, Albert, a graduate of Missouri -- now in the far west and employed by a Company, and V (deceased).

On Feb 6, 2018, at 4:45 PM, Beach, Christopher
<beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Lincoln,

Tate helped me write up the speech cards for the Admin's Texas Water Day remarks tomorrow. The Admin met with the North Texas Municipal Water District back in August and heard about their struggle to get a reservoir finished (they started the permitting process all the way back in 2003). Some of their folks will be in the audience tomorrow so we put details on the situation and what's happening now in the speech notes. The whole situation is also emblematic of the Admin's goal to improve our water infrastructure and speed up the permitting processes. Let us know if you have any questions and we'd be glad to fill you in. Speech isn't until 11am tomorrow so I have time to make edits tonight or in the morning if you need.

Best,

Chris

<Texas Water Day 2-7-18.docx>

Message

From: Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]
Sent: 5/18/2018 6:17:50 PM
To: Drinkard, Andrea [Drinkard.Andrea@epa.gov]
CC: Dennis, Allison [Dennis.Allison@epa.gov]; Wadlington, Christina [Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov]; Campbell, Ann [Campbell.Ann@epa.gov]; Grantham, Nancy [Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov]; Wilcox, Jahan [wilcox.jahan@epa.gov]; Tiago, Joseph [Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: PFAS Stuff
Attachments: PFAS Summit 5-22-18.docx; PFAS 2018 Bio.docx

I just got a response from Steve so here's the most up to date speech card draft.

Also, here's the Administrator's revised bio for Peter.

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Friday, May 18, 2018 2:03 PM
To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Campbell, Ann <Campbell.Ann@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Tiago, Joseph <Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: PFAS Stuff

Awesome, thanks so much!!

Sent from my iPhone

On May 18, 2018, at 12:53 PM, Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Here's the most updated version of the speech card. Andrea, I reformatted a few things and added a couple non-policy related lines. I'm still waiting on a response from Susan and Steve. But I talked with Ann and we decided that we should include the current draft in the briefing materials so Hayley and the Administrator know that we have a nearly finished product.

Also, I'm working on tailoring the Administrator's bio specifically for this event and getting the Deputy's preferred bio. I'll circle back when I have those. Thanks all!

From: Drinkard, Andrea
Sent: Thursday, May 17, 2018 3:47 PM
To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Cc: Dennis, Allison <Dennis.Allison@epa.gov>; Wadlington, Christina <Wadlington.Christina@epa.gov>; Campbell, Ann <Campbell.Ann@epa.gov>; Grantham, Nancy <Grantham.Nancy@epa.gov>; Wilcox, Jahan <wilcox.jahan@epa.gov>; Tiago, Joseph <Tiago.Joseph@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: PFAS Stuff

Ok that sounds good. So for simplicity, OW (Ann) will make sure that Haley has the full briefing package by 3PM tomorrow. I'll be out of the office tomorrow, but reachable. Ann and Allison from OW will be backing me up. My apologies if this is overly organized. ☺

Materials from Monday's Briefing

From OW:

- 1) Final agenda
- 2) Background on the summit
- 3) Policy memo that was discussed at their previous meeting

OPA will send to OW:

1. Speech card (do you need any more details on the run of show?)
2. Any paper on the press roundtable that will happen after his speech (adding Nancy and Jahan)

Bios

Peter Grevatt in our shop will be introducing both the Administrator and the Deputy. Please pass along their preferred bio and/or any tips on their preferences.

Speech Card Edits/Input

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1. Could you check in with Susan Bodine and Steve Cook to see if they have anything to add to the following line? Alternatively, please send us your updated version and we'll check in with them in the morning.

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Ok that sounds good. So for simplicity, OW (Ann) will make sure that Haley has the full briefing package by 3PM tomorrow. I'll be out of the office tomorrow, but reachable. Ann and Allison from OW will be backing me up. My apologies if this is overly organized. ☺

Materials from Monday's Briefing

From OW:

- 1) Final agenda
- 2) Background on the summit
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OPA will send to OW:

1. Speech card (do you need any more details on the run of show?)
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Sent: 3/7/2018 1:37:11 AM
To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
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From: Gordon, Stephen [gordon.stephen@epa.gov]
Sent: 2/7/2018 3:49:08 PM
To: Bennett, Tate [Bennett.Tate@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Texas Water Day Remarks

Perfect thank you!

On Feb 7, 2018, at 10:05 AM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

I'm going to start copying you on emails with Chris Beach as part of my role has been providing him with the topics Pruitt should cover at events. These chains will give you a good feel for how we do that.

From: Beach, Christopher
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 8:21 AM
To: Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov>
Cc: Ferguson, Lincoln <ferguson.lincoln@epa.gov>
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Ok, thanks. I'll find a spot to add it.

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On Feb 6, 2018, at 9:26 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

Also, he served on this commission so he's well qualified to run the corps:

"R.D. James has extensive experience working alongside the Army Corps of Engineers during his 36 years of service on the Mississippi River Commission"

On Feb 6, 2018, at 9:21 PM, Bennett, Tate <Bennett.Tate@epa.gov> wrote:

I was remiss to mention these guys care about Army Corps permitting reform. RD James was just confirmed by the Senate on Jan 25 as the Assistant Secretary of the Army (head of Army Corps). Chris, do you have room on the card to remind him to bring up the fact that he looks forward to working with RD? JD is also a KY native like Pruitt. Bio below. Top line- JD is a former self-employed grain / cotton gin farmer who understands the importance of a timely permitting process.



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Honorable R. D. James
Member



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Mr. Rickey Dale "R.D." James, a self-employed farmer with cotton gins and grain elevators for the A.C. Riley Company in New Madrid, Missouri, was appointed to the Mississippi River Commission on Dec. 1, 1981. After his nine-year-term had expired, he was reappointed April 19, 1991. James was reappointed for another year term on Jan. 3, 2017.

While employed with the Kentucky Department of Water Resources engineering office, he attended the University of Kentucky and graduated with a degree in civil engineering in 1971.

James received the Sikeston Area Chamber of Commerce's 2007 Agri Business Award and was the New Madrid County's Outstanding Conservation Farmer of 1987. He presently serves on the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the Southern Missouri Ginners Association, Memphis, Tennessee; Board Member, Producers of Missouri, Kennett, Missouri.

He is a past member of both the Board of Directors of the Sikeston, Missouri, and the New Madrid County Board of Commissioners (served as the president from 1980-1998).

A native of Fulton County, Kentucky, he and his wife J. have three children, Albert Riley James, a 1995 graduate of Mississippi State University -- now in the family farming business and employed by A.C. Riley Cotton Company, and Virginia Elizabeth James.

On Feb 6, 2018, at 4:45 PM, Beach, Christopher
<beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Lincoln,

Tate helped me write up the speech cards for the Admin's Texas Water Day remarks tomorrow. The Admin met with the North Texas Municipal Water District back in August and heard about their struggle to get a reservoir finished (they started the permitting process all the way back in 2003). Some of their folks will be in the audience tomorrow so we put details on the situation and what's happening now in the speech notes. The whole situation is also emblematic of the Admin's goal to improve our water infrastructure and speed up the permitting processes. Let us know if you have any questions and we'd be glad to fill you in.

Speech isn't until 11am tomorrow so I have time to make edits tonight or in the morning if you need.

Best,
Chris

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From: Bennett, Tate [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=1FA92542F7CA4D01973B18B2F11B9141-BENNETT, EL]
Sent: 3/7/2018 1:33:16 PM
To: Beach, Christopher [beach.christopher@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Arkansas Farm Bureau

Nice! Gracias

On Mar 7, 2018, at 8:32 AM, Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Awesome. I'm printing the new versions out and bringing them over to Hayley in a min.

From: Bennett, Tate
Sent: Wednesday, March 7, 2018 5:51 AM
To: Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Arkansas Farm Bureau

Yep!

On Mar 6, 2018, at 9:49 PM, Beach, Christopher <beach.christopher@epa.gov> wrote:

Ok will do. **Deliberative Process / Ex. 5** I haven't heard that one before.

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